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PRESIDENT'S COMMUNICATIONS.

1. SYNODICAL ADDRESS.

In Greeting, Christ Jesus, in whom free access is given us through faith unto the fulness of all God's grace.

A. D. 1517 and A. D. 1917. Wherefore, after the lapse of but five fleeting years, and, please God, our beloved Church will celebrate the four hundredth anniversary of her birth. This beneficent miracle of grace divine may justly claim for its festive commemoration not that a few days but an entire year be set apart, and that the year of our Lord 1917 be turned into a year of Jubilee everywhere, and for every child and heir of our Church.

Now inasmuch as a birthday celebration lacking birthday felicitations and substantial remembrances would be considered an affair sadly incomplete, it may reasonably be expected that her sons and daughters will rejoice their mother, the Church, with words and works of love in abounding measure. However, highly appropriate and profitable as it may be to grace and gladden the occasion with eulogies in speech and song, with gifts and greetings, and with endowments and memorials of one sort or another, in view of something better and more abiding, all such demonstrations should be esteemed as of secondary importance. Our Church's greater needs are, first, and on the part of her membership, a more intelligent understanding, a more heartfelt appreciation and a more thorough application in life, of those great truths of God that gave her birth and supplied her sustenance; secondly, and on the part of her all too many synods, that among these, if not a united, at least a more amicable and friendly relation be brought about. These, as it seems to me, are blessings we should pray and labor for in preference to every other; for herein failing, the festival we look forward to will be of but small gain to us.

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As she has held from the beginning, so up to this day, our beloved Church holds the old and new testament Scriptures to be the pure and inerrant Word of God; and as such they are to her the one and only source of all saving truth, as also the one and only rule of faith and life. Accordingly, she believes and teaches that the natural man can of himself know and do nothing in things spiritual and divine, except oppose them; and hence, that in all matters involving the doctrine and practice of the Church, man's reason and will are to be placed in abso-

lute subjection to the teachings of Holy Writ. Moreover does she believe and teach, that the sinner's salvation, both in its purchase or preparation and in its offer and appropriation, is wholly and solely the work of God's love through Jesus Christ His incarnate Son: a work, therefore, of saving grace resolved on in eternity, comprehending the world without respect to person, and become real and effective in time.

Placed upon this rock of her confession and firmly imbedded therein, the Church of the Reformation and of Luther's faith stands forth "a pillar and ground of the truth," partly in opposition to and partly exalted above every church that may be named; and in praise of it, she gives all the glory to God. Conservative in character because conscious of the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free also in "things indifferent", she wisely makes use of these both in her orders of service and in her forms of government, sanctifying them through the Word of God and with prayer.

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Thus divinely favored with a knowledge of scriptural truth and the standard of truth, our Church has thereby come into possession also of the principle of true unity—of that Godgiven oneness of mind and heart which makes her members akin in spirit, leads them to know and fellowship each other, and as workmen of the Lord to join hands in the building up of His kingdom; as also, when and wheresoever the safety and furtherance of the kingdom seem to demand it, to unite themselves as congregations into synods, and eventually into federations of synods. Such is the coveted fruit, wherever the law of spiritual truth is permitted to have free course.

In the Lutheran bodies of our land, with but few exceptions, a strong desire, if not for organic union, least wise for coming nearer together, is everywhere more or less manifesting itself; and it is a pleasure to observe that upon the whole it is on the basis of doctrinal unity that an approach is sought after. In short, a growing appreciation of the Lutheran faith is apparent throughout the Church; and this gives health and strength to the movement toward Lutheran union. Thank God, that the great body known as the General Synod has at last planted itself fairly and squarely upon the unaltered Augsburg Confession historically interpreted, and hence may henceforth with greater right lay claim to the Lutheran name.

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But as is the case in every other churchly movement, so here: the efforts put forth to bring about a more thorough unity and a closer union among Lutheran bodies are attended by human imperfections of one sort or another: some unreasonably opposing while others are as unreasonably clamoring for a more united Church.

In the first place there is noticeable here and there, as it seems to me, a lack of proper discrimination between substance and form; or,

and in other words, that the scriptural principle of church-fellowship is either not understood or thoughtlessly set aside. Thus unity and unanimity in the sphere of faith are divinely enjoined; this however can not be said of corporate association and cooperation as witnessed in the larger bodies of the Church. Unity in the true doctrine is a duty; outward union, on the other hand, as exemplified by synods, councils, synodical conferences, and the like, is as such a matter of expedience, which however may become a duty; and it does become such in case the Church requires it the better to safeguard and advance her cause. Bearing in mind this distinction between duty absolute and duty conditioned, will enable us to pass a more equitable judgment upon the apparent lack of unity among us. Given an instance in which two congregations affiliated with different synods exist side by side and in view of one another, or that several synods occupy the same territory: in either case, before the existing state of affairs is decried and denounced as an unmistakeable evidence of unholy schism in the Church, it behooves us to ascertain the real nature of the division in question, and what is the relation of these bodies one to another. Proximity of position does not necessarily imply opposition, or a difference in faith and practice.

And here another remark, and one of the truth of which I am firmly convinced; to-wit, that despite all appearances to the contrary the Evangelical Lutheran Church in our land and day may, to the praise of God, make her boast of excelling in purity of doctrine and unity of spirit all other denominations whatever be their name and pretensions, and however grand and glorious they may appear before the world as bodies corporate. But whilst we may congratulate ourselves on the fact, let us make sure that we heed the admonition implied therein. The present state of aloofness characterizing our Lutheran synods does certainly not comport with normal conditions, and is in many respects more of a hindrance than a help to the great cause we are enlisted in; so that, if not a union, at any rate a more friendly relation between these bodies is imperatively called for. That this be effected, plain duty bids us to pray and labor, and not to falter therein.

In order to secure results truly advantageous to the Church, in the second place, unreasonable objections will have to be met and mistakes be avoided. Sad to say that the laudable endeavor to win for the Lutheran faith a full currency and sway in our land has, in some quarters, given way to a spirit insufferably schismatic. Namesakes and cousins in some remote degree though they are to us, people possessed by this spirit will, on meeting them, draw in their skirts in the passing, dreading that the mere touch might defile them. They may pray for us; certain we are that they will not pray with us. In our efforts toward harmony and union in our Church, shall we permit ourselves to be hampered and halted by prejudices so evidently fanatic? I say, not by any means.

To be sure, consciences bound by the Word of God are to be respected at all times; but they are not to be deferred to in case the word

is erroneously appealed to. Thus there are found minds so supersensitive touching the subject of a synodical union, that the mere mention of it seems to strike them with an "holy horror". To me it is plain that they misinterpret the principle of churchly unity and fellowship as this is set forth in the seventh Article of the Augustana; insisting that the word "gospel" as there used is meant to comprehend each and every teaching found in the Bible, and wholly regardless of the question whether a matter of faith is involved therein or not. This position in its logical sequence would have us to conclude that uniformity of interpretation of every Scripture passage is the one and only lawful basis of union. A radicalism more disastrous to the Church than this it would be hard to conceive.

On the other hand, and opposed to these extremists, there are those who for the sake of churchly peace and co-operation are only too ready to yield on points of doctrine and practice of vital import and importance to the Church, and to allow everybody to think and do pretty much as in his judgment it may seem well and good. In other words, in things wherein the Lord would have men bound, they would have them to be free; and what sort of a union this woud result in, it is not hard to imagine.

Now be it separatism or be it unionism, both isms are contrary to the Scriptures and to our Confessions. The former stirs up animosity, alienates, and breeds unholy divisions; the latter begets as it betrays indifference to sound doctrine and practice, is altogether too tolerant of all sorts of doubts and misgivings, and ultimately leads to infidelity.

Meanwhile it is our call and duty to put forth our utmost efforts toward bringing into full predominance in our churches everywhere the faith set forth in our Confessions and a polity and practice thereto conforming. This accomplishing and accomplished churchly unions and cooperation will result as a matter of course wherever these may be deemed serviceable to the furtherance of God's kingdom among us. Especially should prayers and intercessions attend and support this our work. Yes, and patience too; in order to the latter we do well to remind ourselves that the importance of great and grand organizations may be overestimated. As is the case with some congregations, likewise with synods; they lose in strength and efficiency as they grow in number and size.

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Mindful, Brethren, of the divine admonition to "walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called, forebearing one another in love; and endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit," I beg leave to submit:—

a. That in the periodicals of synod facts be given and truths be applied in terms that make for peace;

b. That free intersynodical conferences be held wherever practicable.

c. And this before and above all: that Synod direct its several districts to appoint committees whose duty it shall be to treat with like

committees of other synods and if possible together with them, adjust all cases of disorder by which the peaceable relation between the bodies concerned might be disturbed. Always provided, that the parties offending or aggrieved, if dissatisfied with the judgment rendered, shall have the right of appeal to the bodies represented by the joint committee.

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2. SYNODICAL REPORT.

A. Iowa and Ohio. According to instructions the committee appointed for that purpose has held another conference with representatives of the Hon. Synod of Iowa. The meeting took place in the forepart of the present year at Toledo, Ohio. In the first place points I.b. and IV.d. of the Toledo theses were taken up for consideration, these being the points the correctness of which had awakened doubts in the minds of some of our brethren. Following a thorough discussion of the subject matter involved and of its import, all seemed to be satisfied with the wording of it; at any rate, no motion was made to amend; wherefore, the theses stand as originally presented.

In the second place, your committee inquiring whether the Hon. Iowa Synod as such and by resolution stands in altar-fellowship with the General Council, an affirmative answer was received. Thereupon we expressed our serious doubts whether under existing circumstances we could consistently enter into altar-fellowship with Iowa, assigning as our reason the fact that synods belonging to the Council acted in utter disregard over against us in matters of churchly order and discipline. We were then assured that, the necessary proofs being furnished, an effort would be made to have the offence thus given us put an end to; and, in case this were not done, that the Iowa Synod would be constrained to change its relation to the Council.

B. Our Institutions of Learning. At our last meeting I took occasion to state that if we seriously wish to see our educational system improved and advanced, we must be both clear and one in mind regarding its purpose. Several districts have more or less paid attention to this subject; however, without definite results. In the discussions, special reference was had to our College at Columbus. In regard to the latter, and to the Seminary in connection therewith, I beg leave to recommend:—

a. That the removal of the college be subjected to a thorough discussion at this meeting. Action has been taken on this question by the several Districts, some favorable, some adverse. It is to be deplored that, in order to avert the removal in question some very misleading statements and claims have been put forth.

b. That in our Theological Seminary at Columbus a post-graduate course be introduced; and that the degree of B. D. be conferred on those who finish the course with credit.

C. *Our financial condition.* a. Closely examining the report of our Institution Treasurer, it is found that the expenditures for the past two years amount in round sum, to $88,000.00, whilst the appropriations granted for the same period hardly amount to $70,000.00. The collections sent in during this time yielded the sum of $87,463.73. Hence, and note well, despite this sum and the handsome revenues by accruing interest on funds, there is again a deficit, and greater than the treasurer's figures indicate.

b. By the efforts of the Pittsburgh Committee our debt has been reduced to about $35,000.00. I recommend that the Committee be continued and requested to go on with its work to the happy end.

c. The theological professorship endowed by Pastor Baughman of blessed memory, is now in force. The capital amounts to $28,000.00, and the Baughman home at Eaton, now rented out.

d. The administrators of the estate of G. D. Simen, likewise of blessed memory, have by way of a preliminary settlement placed in the hands of your Board of Administration their note of $60,000.00, payable in five years and bearing 4 per cent interest. For particulars see report of Administration Board.

e. There have been secured, during the past two years, by way of scholarships, $11,600.00; for other purposes, and mostly by last will and testament, $9,200.00. In this, amounts paid in directly to the treasuries of synod are not included.

In conclusion, I recommend that the order of business hitherto observed be followed at our present convention. For convenience and to avoid extra trouble and expense, it is here appended.

Thursday, Organization, and Missions.
Friday, Educational Institutions.
Saturday, Nominations and Varia.
Monday, Treasuries, and eleemosynary institutions.
Tuesday, Publication matters.
Wednesday, Unfinished business.

And now, in all our deliberations and transactions, may God in His grace teach us to know and do what is His good will and pleasure. Amen.

Respectfully submitted to your Honorable Body, assembled at Dayton, Ohio, in August A. D. 1912.

C. H. L. SCHUETTE.

REPORTS OF THE BOARDS OF THE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

Dear Brethren: In presenting to you the usual biennial report of the Seminary Board we desire, first of all, to call to mind the mercy and faithfulness of our God, which have watched over our school of prophets during the past two years, blessed the labors of teachers and pupils and given health and strength for efficient work.

I. Seminary.

Authorized by your Honorable Body, the Board called Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, Anna, Ohio, to the theological professorship. October 1st, 1911 he was installed by the President of the Board, Rev. E. A. Boehme, and has proved a valuable addition to our Theological Faculty.

In the school year 1910-1911 we had 37 students in our seminary; in the last year, 1911-1912, we had only 30, over against 51 in 1908-1909 and 40 in 1909-1910. 25 young men graduated into the holy ministry during these two years, over against 31 in the previous two years. In view of the dearth of pastors in our synod this decline of theological students is to be lamented.

Since last meeting of synod your Board held six sessions, four regular and two extra meetings. In these meetings the Messrs. Chas. F. Mayer and J. M. Snyder, Columbus, Ohio, were re-elected as members of the Capital University Board, each for the term of three years. Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, having accepted the theological professorship, resigned as a member of your Board and Rev. A. C. Schiff was elected in his place till this meeting of synod.

II. Seminary Library.

We bespeak the favorable consideration of synod to the accompanying report* of our esteemed librarian, Dr. Theo. Mees, who without remuneration has devoted much time and labor to our library, and to whom we are greatly indebted for its present efficiency. Especially do we also petition Jt. Synod for a library building, as absolutely necessary for getting the full benefit from our library.

*Not furnished in English.

III. Election.

The term of office of the following members of the Board has now expired: Revs. Dr. E. Cronenwett, L. H. Burry, C. F. W. Allwardt and W. E. Schuette. Rev. A. C. Schiff, having temporarily been appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by Prof. Lenski's resignation, his place will also have to be filled. Hence five members of the Board, all from the ranks of the clergy, will have to be elected this time, all for the period of six years with the exception of Prof. Lenski's successor, who will be elected for four years. In this connection your Board respectfully recommends to your Honorable Body to pass a resolution stating that the time of office of the newly elected members shall begin with the first regular meeting of the Board after the meeting of Joint Synod.

IV. Question.

Shall the Treasurer of the Seminary be placed under bond? This question received a lengthy discussion by your Board and was then referred to the Honorable Synod for decision.

Very respectfully,

E. A. Boehme, *President.*
E. H. D. Winterhoff, *Secretary.*

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

Dear Fathers and Brethren: Years come and go, and men and institutions pass away with them; but in His mercy and loving kindness God has preserved and blessed our Institution at Columbus, with its school of the prophets, and we are pleased to report on two more years of successful activity.

I. The Professors.

Our professors of two years ago are still with us and have been blessed, so that with but little interruption, if any, the work has gone on steadily. We would call attention to the following facts:

a. According to your instructions of two years ago, we have joined the Seminary Board in a call to Prof. R. C. H. Lenski, A. M., and have assigned him to the chair of "Professor of Languages" in our Institution. He took the chair at the opening of the school year, September, 1911, and was formally installed in October, and has since proven himself a worthy addition to our corps of professors. In accordance with like instructions we called Prof. P. J. Mackensen, A. B., to the chair of "German Language and Literature and History", and he took the chair after the Easter vacation, 1911, and was formally installed at the same time as was Prof Lenski. He also has proven himself the right man in the right place.

b. In order that Prof. Mackensen might more fully equip himself for greater efficiency in the work assigned him in our Institution, at a meeting of the Board, June 18th, 1912, at his request, he was granted a year's leave of absence, to fill an "assistantship" and to take up higher studies in his line, at the University of Michigan. Rev. C. B. Gohdes, A. M., Anna, Ohio, was appointed his substitute during the interim, and in case he could not accept, other provisions have been made.

c. Dr. L. H. Schuh, President of Capital University, who had so faithfully and so well represented the Institution for years, felt impelled to accept a call to the active ministry at Grove City, Ohio, holding over, however, to the end of the past school year, when, through representatives, the Faculty, the student body, the Alumni and the Board took formal leave of him in a fitting expression of their appreciation of his services.

In their efforts to elect a successor to his chair to fill the duties now prescribed by your honorable body in connection with the presidency, the Board failed, and we have therefore deferred further action until your honorable body may again pass on our petition below.

In the interim we have provided for the care of the Institution by appointing Prof. R. C. H. Lenski, acting president and Prof. R. V. Schmitt, acting housefather.

d. According to instructions of your Honorable Body, the Board has also re-adjusted the salaries of the professors.

e. Having accepted a professorship in our Institution, Prof. Lenski felt it incumbent upon him to resign his seat in the Board of Trustees, and the Rev. A. C. Schiff, Columbus, Ohio, was elected to fill the unexpired term.

II. The Course.

Your honorable body allowed us two additional professors in the expectation that the course at Capital University be raised; and we would accordingly report that the course has been advanced by adding one year at the top, making the classes which were Sophomore, Junior and Senior before, now Freshmen, Sophomore and Junior respectively, and the former Freshmen class, the third year in the Preparatory Department. No students have as yet graduated from the course as now raised, this being accomplished only in the year past.

III. The Students.

a. With but few exceptions our students have enjoyed health and in general have been well behaved, so that they have not seriously infringed on discipline.

b. We regret to have to report that there has been a diminution from a total enrollment of 149, in December, 1910, and 154 in June, 1911, to 125 in December 1911, and 126 in June, 1912. For this decrease verbal explanation may be offered. In answer to complaint that many students who have matriculated drop out of the course, in time, a tabulated

comparison with other similar institutions shows our Institution in a favorable light.

3. At the Commencement, June, 1911, six graduates received the degree A. B.; and one former student who had made up requirements, the degree B. S., and another, that of A. B. At the Commencement, June, 1912, nine graduates received the degree of A. B.

IV. Residence No. 3.

We would also report that we have erected another professor's residence, known as Residence No. 3, on the campus, at a cost of about $5,000, and we have thus safely invested some scholarships where they will bring adequate returns. The residence is occupied by Prof. Lenski.

V. Finances and Apportionments.

Prof. Geo. K. Leonard, treasurer of the Board, will as usual report on our finances and present the amount of apportionment needed to carry on our work as now constituted.

VI. Petitions and Resolutions.

a. The Board would respectfully submit the following petition for favorable action:

"Resolved, That the 'mode of election of professors' be so changed that 'other nominations'—those made in addition to the nominees of the Board—cannot be made by any one member of the Synod, but must be seconded by at least four other pastors or congregations."

b. Also this:

"Resolved, That we again petition Joint Synod to reconsider its action in combining the housefathership with the presidency of Capital University."

c. Inasmuch as we cannot properly house our libraries, we concur with the Seminary Board in a joint petition to your honorable body as follows:

"Resolved, That we request Joint Synod to authorize us to use the Rudolf Fund for the purpose of erecting a library building; and

"Resolved, That we request Joint Synod to authorize us to appeal to the young people's societies of our synod for additional funds to be used for the maintenance of our library."

Dr. Theo. Mees, librarian, has been requested by the Board to report to your Honorable Body on the needs of the library and the difficulties that confront us.

Invoking divine guidance and blessing upon your deliberations and conclusions, we subscribe in the name and in behalf of the Board of Trustees of Capital University.

E. Cronenwett, *President.*
L. H. Burry, *Secretary.*

Butler, Pa., and Massillon, Ohio, July, 1912.

LUTHER SEMINARY, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Authorized by the Board of Luther Seminary the undersigned submits to Joint Synod the following:

1. During the last two years the Lord has blessed our institution greatly. Not only has He warded off calamities, but He showed us His abundant grace by giving us what we so earnestly had prayed and worked for. Although building operations could not begin until the middle of last year and the work was handicapped by an early and severe winter, the new building could be dedicated the 14th day of January, 1912. A temperature of 30 degrees below zero did not in any way lessen the joy of the participants of the festival. Every one was well pleased with the new building and thanked the Lord for the realization of our plans. The fact that the total cost exceeded the sum of $30,000, the limit set by Synod, by $3,000 was well considered by the Board. If we wanted to gain the necessary room, and build in accordance with the City Ordinance, we were compelled to use such an amount. The whole sum, as far as it is not paid as yet, is guaranteed by personal subscriptions. Thanks be to the Lord.

2. The number of students of our institution has increased considerably during the last two years. In the year 1910-1911 it was 94, of whom 6 entered the ministry after passing their final examination; in 1911-1912 it was 107, of whom 9 entered the ministry, having passed their final examination. In general the conduct of the students was satisfactory. Last winter smallpox, scarlet fever, and measles were epidemic in St. Paul and our institution was not spared. But as it was possible to isolate the sick, the disease was restricted to only a few cases. Neither professors nor students were afflicted by serious diseases so that the work could progress without interruption.

3. The Board petitions Joint Synod to transform the proseminary into a full college, for the following reasons:

Most of our students enter the proseminary at the age of 14 or 15 years, and enter the theological department without the necessary maturity to their own detriment as well as that of the church.

At present there are at our school a number of sons of ministers, who regard the present preparatory course as insufficient.

Our times imperatively require a thorough education of ministers, if they are to do justice to their calling.

The Missouri Synod has a full college at St. Paul, and if our proseminary remains what it is today, ministers will not be able to keep young men who want a good collegiate training from entering that college.

4. As it becomes more difficult for our professors to rent suitable houses in a fast developing part of St. Paul, we ask Joint Synod for the permission to erect two new dwellings on the campus of the seminary.

5. As the statutes of our institutions require that a member of the board be treasurer of the respective institution and as such is hardly

possible at our school, we ask Joint Synod to give us leave to confer this office upon a member of the faculty.

6. The necessary repairs have been made during the last two years and the buildings are in good condition.

7. We draw the attention of Joint Synod to the fact that the terms of Rev. H. Eisenbach, Rev. Geo. Diemer, and Mr. H. Bammann have expired.

Respectfully,
GEO. DIEMER.

NORMAL SCHOOL, WOODVILLE, OHIO.

In the name and by authority of the Board of Directors of the Woodville Normal School, we, the undersigned beg to submit to the Honorable Synod the following report:

On December 28, 1910, the present Board was organized by the election of Rev. A. G. Bergener, President, J. J. Ballmer, Secretary, and Dir. K. Hemminghaus, Treasurer. The Board regularly held its semi-annual meetings; in addition three special sessions were held during the two years just passed, making a total of seven sessions.

By God's grace the work of this, our institution, during the two years since the last meeting of Joint Synod, has been attended by marked success. Perfect harmony prevailed in the faculty. Application and deportment of the students generally was very satisfactory. Our heavenly Father has in mercy protected the professors and students from serious illness, and instruction has continued without interruption. Dir. K. Hemminghaus, who two years ago had discontinued teaching on account of illness, has recovered, being able during the past two years to conduct his class-work again. The Lord be praised!

During the school year from September, 1910, to June, 1911, our Normal School was attended by 67 young people, among these being 18 young ladies. Of this number eight young men and one young lady have been added to the list of teachers. During the school year just closed, the enrollment reached 71; 43 young men and 28 young ladies. Of this number 11 received diplomas as parochial school teachers and have accepted calls from congregations within our synod. Thus during the last two years our school has been permitted to send out 20 young people as laborers in the vineyard of the Lord. Truly, a splendid showing, especially as compared with the number of graduates at our other institutions. The Lord be praised for his blessings!

In accordance with a resolution of the Joint Synod (1910, page 130) the course in the junior or preparatory department has been extended one year, now embracing four instead of three years. Also an additional (fifth) professor has been called in the person of Prof. G. Allwardt, who has served the institution since September, 1911, in the capacity of Professor of German. (Joint Synod Record, 1910, page 130).

On December 28, 1910, Prof. O. A. Trapp tendered his resignation, which was accepted by the Board of Directors. To succeed him as Professor of Music, the Board called, February 18, 1911, Prof. A. O. Moench of Berlin, Germany. The same accepted the call and at the beginning of September, 1911, entered upon his duties in our school.

The installation of the two professors, G. Allwardt and A. O. Moench, took place on September 5, 1911, in connection with the opening exercises. It was performed by the Revs. Theo. J. Stellhorn and P. Langendorf by authority of the president of the Board.

A vacancy in the Board was caused by the withdrawal of Rev. P. Langendorf from the ministry. On February 17, 1912, the Board selected as his temporary successor Rev. H. Blohm. This selection was approved by the Honorable President, Dr. C. H. L. Schuette.

During recent years reports show a noticeable increase in temporary indisposition among the students. The Board is of the opinion that this in great part is due to insufficient provision for physical exercise. We therefore petition the honorable Joint Synod for an appropriation of not less than $5,000 for the erection of a suitable gymnasium. (Resolution of June 28, 1912).

The Board further resolved that, in case a "Field Agent" for the institution in Columbus be called, we move that the same be instructed also to solicit in the interests of our school.

A report concerning the finances of our institution will be given you by the treasurer, Dir. K. Hemminghaus. This report will be an indication of the sum your honorable body should appropriate for our work.

Finally we would call your attention to the vacancy in our Board, caused by the withdrawal of Rev. P. Langendorf; it will devolve upon your Body to elect a successor to serve the unexpired term of 2 years.

We also beg to announce that the term of office of the following members has expired: Rev. A. G. Bergener, Teacher J. J. Ballmer, and Messrs. A. H. Dornbirer and B. S. Otten.

May the good Lord in His mercy in future take our Normal School under His protecting care.

Respectfully,

A. G. Bergener, *President.*
J. J. Ballmer, *Secretary.*

Woodville, Ohio, July 16, 1912.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN SEMINARY, OLYMPIA, WASH.

Dear Brethren:

With gratitude to God for his kindness shown to us the Board of Pacific Luth. Seminary herewith submits its report for the past 2 years to your Hon. Body.

I. Our Professors.

By the grace of God our two Professors have enjoyed good health and could do their work in the institution successfully. Since by the increase of the classes our two Professors are overburdened, we, together with the Washington District petition Joint Synod to call a third Professor whose duty it shall be to devote one-half of his time to the instruction in the Proseminary and the other half to the instruction in the Commercial Department, and whose salary be paid one-half by Joint Synod and one-half by the proceeds of the Commercial Department.

II. Our Students.

In the year 1910-1911 we had 25 students of which two entered the ministry and are now working in the mission field of the Washington District. In the year 1911-1912 the number of students increased to 49. Of this number 32 were in the Proseminary, of these nine are willing to study for the ministry. All students enjoyed good health.

III. Theological Department.

Your board is fully convinced that the petition of the Washington District regarding the reopening of the theological department in Olympia should be granted, for without it we cannot successfully do the work of our dear Synod here in the Pacific Northwest. The harvest is at hand here, and we have no sufficient number of laborers.

IV. Our Finances.

For the two coming years we need again $4,400.00, in case a third Professor is granted us we need $1,200.00 more or a total of $5,600.00. The report of our treasurer, Prof. W. Hohberger, for the last two years is herewith submitted.

V. Election.

The term of office of the following members of your Board expires: P. Karl Kilian, Puyallup, Wash.; Geo. F. Pauschert, Spokane, Wash.; Mr. H. Pachert, Tacoma, Wash.

May God's blessing rest upon the deliberations of Synod.

GEO. FINKE, *President.*

HEBRON ACADEMY.

DEAR BRETHREN: — After the acceptance two years ago by your honorable body of the offer of the Kansas and Nebraska District to hand over to Synod a piece of property and a building free from debt for the purpose of establishing an academy, the property referred to,

located in Hebron, Neb., was purchased by the District. The building was somewhat enlarged, thoroughly overhauled, and provided with all modern improvements; and the various rooms were suitably furnished. As the heating plant was found by experts to be insufficient, a new plant was installed. All money, total nearly $11,000, was raised in the District.

Rev. P. Buehring of St. Marys, Ohio, was called as president of the school, and Mr. M. Paysen of Columbus, Ohio, was called as second professor. Both have discharged their arduous duties with faithfulness and skill. As the two professors were unable to do all the work required Mr. W. L. Young of Lancaster, Ohio, was engaged as instructor. His work was reported as very satisfactory. Next year the number of classes will be still greater, and we herewith petition Synod to grant us permission to call a third professor.

The total number of students enrolled during this our first school year was 28, not including the music pupils, the number of the latter varied between 30 and 40. One young man who was taking our "Short Course" died shortly before finishing the course; another fractured his limb while on a visit at home. Otherwise our student body enjoyed good health. There were no serious infractions of the rules of the house. Three of our students have thus far decided to prepare for the ministry.

While our building is now in good condition, it does not fully satisfy the needs of our institution. It is too small. Even during our first school year all rooms were filled. But when the number of our students increases, as we confidently expect, and all classes are filled we shall suffer for lack of room, both for the classes and for study rooms. Besides, if our school is really to serve its object of furnishing *all* the young people of our congregation an opportunity of acquiring a higher education under Christian influence, we ought to have a good business or commercial course. Then we ought to have a room for a library, another for a laboratory. But none of these can be had now for lack of space. We therefore petition your honorable body for permission to collect $8-10,000 within the bounds of Joint Synod for the purpose of erecting an addition to the north side of our building, in order to supply this most urgent need for more space.

We ask an appropriation of $5,600.00 for our current expenses of the next two years.

The board submits for your approval a constitution for our school.

Finally, we respectfully call your attention to the fact that all the members of our board were elected only for a term of two years at the last convention of Joint Synod.

In the name of the Academy Board,

F. POHLMANN, *President.*
G. H. SPRING, *Secretary.*

Constitution of Hebron Academy.

(Presented for approval.)

Article I.

NAME.

The name of this school shall be, *Hebron Academy.*

Article II.

OBJECT.

The object of this school shall be, a) to give the youth of our churches and land an opportunity to obtain an education under Christian influence; b) specifically, to give young men who have the Christian ministry in view a thorough preparatory training.

Article III.

CONFESSION.

All instruction given in this school shall be in harmony with the Lutheran confessions of faith as set forth in the book of Concord of 1580 and as received by the Ev. Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and other States.

Article IV.

MANAGEMENT.

1. This school shall be managed by a board of directors elected by the Synod named in Art. III.

2. This board shall be composed of three pastors and two laymen.

3. The term of office shall be four years. Every two years three and two members, respectively, shall be elected.

4. The board shall be organized by electing its own president, secretary, and treasurer. The first two must be members of the board.

5. Regular meetings shall be held once a year, and extra meetings shall be called by the president or at the request of at least two members of the board. The time and object of such meetings shall be announced to each member of the board at least two weeks before such meeting is held. All business transacted at such meeting shall be confined to the object for which it has been called.

6. Three members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

7. The board shall elect the president, professors, and other instructors in any department of this school, according to the rule of the joint Synod, agree with them on their salaries, and hold them to discharge promptly and faithfully the duties prescribed to them. In case of false doctrine, incapacity, inattention to duty, breaches of the ordinances of the school, immorality, or conduct that might be injurious

to the students committed to their care, the board shall after due examination and proof of the facts remove such persons from office.

8. The board shall appoint from its own number an executive committee who shall discharge such duties as shall from time to time be assigned to them.

9. The faculty shall consist of the regular professors of the school.

Article V.

DEPARTMENTS.

1. There shall be an Academic or College Preparatory Department.

2. The board may from time to time establish such other departments as may be required by Art. II, a. of this constitution.

Article VI.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

A. Board of Directors.

This board shall

1. See to it that the instruction given at this school be in harmony with the Word of God and the confessions of the Lutheran Church;

2. Give attention that the professors be found faithful in their office and work, and lead an exemplary life;

3. Examine the books of the treasurer at least once every year;

4. See to it that the property of the school be kept in good condition;

5. Fill any vacancy that may occur in its own number between the meeting of Joint Synod in the manner prescribed by the Synod;

6. Be responsible for all its acts to the Joint Synod, and report to this body every two years, or as often as the Synod demands it.

B. President of the school.

The president of the school shall not only be found faithful in his office as teacher, but he shall also see to it that the branches to be taught be properly divided among his colleagues, and that these his associates faithfully teach according to the outlined annual schedule. In all cases of admission to, and dismissal from, the school, his decision shall be final, but he is advised to act in harmony with the faculty. He must also see to it that a Christian spirit prevail in the institution.

Article VII.

AMENDMENTS.

Alterations or amendments to this constitution must be submitted to the Joint Synod for ratification, after being approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors present at any regular meeting.

Article VIII.

BY-LAWS.

A majority of the directors, regularly convened, may at any time establish by-laws accordant with this constitution and these shall be in force until altered, amended, or repealed in the same manner. Such changes, however, are to be reported at the next meeting of Joint Synod.

MELVILLE, SASK., ACADEMY.

Dear Brethren: The undersigned Board was elected at the 40th Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio, held at Richmond, Indiana, in August A. D. 1910, and was organized at Earl Grey, Sask., on the 20th of September, 1910, by election of the following officers: Rev. H. Schmidt, Pres.; Rev. L. F. Tank, Sec'y; Mr. John D. Miller, Treas. It was left to your board, together with the Hon. General President, Dr. C. H. L. Schuette to inspect the different places and consider their offers and then decide on the location of the proposed Academy. We can report that such has been done, and that the city of Melville has been chosen. This city offers a ten (10) acre tract of land, exemption from taxes of land and buildings, and a bonus of $8,000.00 and other grants secured by an agreement. The Hon. General Synod has bound us not to exceed the sum of $20,000.00 for the building, of which sum three-fourths is to be raised in our own midst and the balance in other districts. The Board selected Rev. C. Pohlmann and later Rev. Arnsdorf, as collector for this institution. Up to date $5,102.00 have been signed, of which sum, owing to the crop failure last year, only $1,338.85 are cash. The $8,000 bonus is deposited at the Bank in Melville. We therefore have $9,338.85 to our credit, or including signatures, $13,102.00. Crops look very fine and we hope to have at least $15,000.00 cash on hand by November. We do not deem it wise however, on account of the efforts Synod is making to liquidate the Synodical Debt, to begin collecting the balance $5,000 in Synod as soon as the $15,000 are secured here.

We *must* begin building operations this Fall in order to complete our building, according to our agreement with Melville, by October, 1913.

Furthermore, a director should be called to superintend the work in general and work in the interest of our institution during the winter, so that everything may be in readiness in the Fall of 1913, and school can be opened with a large number of scholars.

We therefore petition the Hon. Joint Synod for the following:

1. That Synod consent to a loan of $5,000.00 from the Administration Fund, until such time as this amount can be collected in Synod.
2. That Synod permit us to call a Director this fall, who will betimes apply himself to the work as mentioned above.

3. That Synod permit us to erect, at least the foundation for the building, and this as soon as the $15,000 are secured by cash and signatures.

Furthermore, We petition Joint Synod to have articles of incorporation filed in Canada, so that Synod may hold property in our Dominion and also enable our individual congregations to incorporate with little expense.

We *further*, remind Synod that the term of office of all members of this Board has expired at this meeting of Synod.

Rev. H. Schmidt, *Pres.*
Rev. L. F. Tank, *Sec.*
Mr. John D. Miller, *Treas.*
Rev. G. Gehrke,
Mr. John Brodt.

ST. PAUL'S SEMINARY AND ACADEMY, HICKORY, N. C.

The Board of Directors of St. Paul's Seminary and Academy herewith submits the following report:

At the last meeting of your Honorable Body it was resolved to dispose of the school property at Hickory, and this Board was authorized to sell same. We beg to report that the property has not been sold, in explanation of which fact we offer the following: first, a majority of the members of our Board felt, and still feel, a conscientious reluctance to carry out Synod's behest; and secondly, the best bona fide offer made for the property was $8,000, which we did not regard a good and sufficient price.

The property has been kept in reasonably good repair, and at present is rented by the month.

The following communication should receive attention at your hands:

"We, N. S. Dasher, R. M. Bumgarner and S. M. Hamrick, desire to tender our resignation as local members of St. Paul's Seminary and Academy, Hickory, N. C., to become effective as soon as our successors can be elected, for the following reasons:

1st. Because we cannot conscientiously act as agents in the sale of this property.

2nd. Because the Ohio Synod Lutherans, in this section, largely contributed to the purchase price of this property, and they feel that Joint Synod has abandoned this field, and wants the proceeds of the sale of this property, to use in another field.

3d. Because there is a small congregation, of eighty communicant members, who organized in good faith, using the Seminary building for a place of worship, and has been very loyal to Synod, as shown by

its benevolent contributions, which, if property is sold, will have no place of worship, and they will have to disband.

Respectfully submitted,"

N. S. DASHER,
R. M. BUMGARNER,
S. M. HAMRICK.

In the name of the Board,

W. E. SCHRAMM, *President.*
S. M. HAMRICK, *Secretary.*

REPORTS OF THE BOARDS OF ELEEMOSYNARY INSTITUTIONS.

WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME, RICHMOND, IND.

To the Honorable Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States.

We, the Board of the Wernle Orphans' Home, in submitting our report, do so with fervent gratitude toward the Giver of every good and perfect gift for the loving kindness bestowed upon our Home during the past biennium. To Him alone belong honor and praise.

Our report in detail is as follows:

There are 76 orphans now in the Home, 39 boys and 37 girls. Of this number 55 are half orphans. We received during the past two years 33 children, and returned to parents and relatives 11. There are employed outside of the Home, 7 boys and 3 girls. Five children were given to families for adoption. Of these 3 have already been legally adopted. As regards the other two, the final legal steps have not yet been taken. Two inmates, having reached their 18th year, were honorably dismissed.

Minnie Hawk was sent to the Imbecile Asylum at Ft. Wayne. F. Stadelman, who had finished the course at Woodville, is now teacher in the congregation at Holland, Ind. Martin Kuehn and Gustave Iden have left Capital University, where they were enrolled as students. The former is teaching in the public school at Crestline, Ohio; the latter, as far as we have been able to ascertain, is now residing with relatives at Indianapolis. There are at present 5 confirmed boys and 9 confirmed girls in service at the Home, besides Miss Held and Mr. Atzinger, the farmer. We also have Henry Roth, a paralytic, to take care of.

The health of the inmates has been very satisfactory. There have been no deaths during the past two years. In this connection we mention a matter that has been a great credit to our institution, namely: After the official of the State Board of Health had made his inspection, he not only stated to us personally, but also expressed publicly in one

of our city papers, his full satisfaction regarding conditions at the Home, conformity to rules of sanitation, order, etc., declaring it to be the best equipped private institution in the state.

During the last year a change in the higher class of our school was made necessary by the resignation of Teacher H. C. Schmidt. His resignation was accepted, but we have again a faithful and efficient teacher in the person of E. Mrock. Miss Hennigs, who for six years had faithfully taught the second class, has to our great regret left the institution. We have not, as yet, succeeded in filling her place. There are 48 pupils enrolled in the school, including three outsiders. In the last two years, 10 boys and 6 girls were confirmed.

Two years ago the proceeds of our farm were very good; but the harvest of last year, owing to late spring frosts and drought in the summer, was not very satisfactory, nevertheless sufficient garden produce and fruit were raised to meet the necessities of our household. We were also successful in draining and making productive about 5 acres of marsh land. At present our stock consists of 4 horses, 7 cows, 2 calves, 3 brood sows, 27 shoats and quite a number of chickens.

As regards the finances of the Home, full reports are presented by the treasurer, financial secretary and the housefather. Your Honorable Body will see from these reports that we have considerably exceeded our apportionment of $6,000. On account of the increased cost of all the necessities of life, even with the greatest economy this was unavoidable. We therefore kindly petition Synod to increase our apportionment to $6,500 per year.

Your board appointed Rev. Ridenour treasurer of the endowment fund in the place of Rev. Beck, who felt himself obliged on account of age and failing health to relinquish this part of his work. In the future all moneys and business matters pertaining to this fund should be sent to Rev. Ridenour. We would also here call attention to the fact that the $1,000 borrowed from the endowment fund for the purpose of rebuilding the barn which was burned, have not yet been repaid. See Minutes of Joint Synod, 1908, p.

Of other improvements besides the draining of the marsh we would mention: The installation of steam heating in our school house, a water softener for our boilers, painting of teacher and farm dwelling and the purchase of a horse. Here we would call attention to another matter which should be disposed of at this meeting. Years ago the sewage pipes of our home were laid in a stream flowing through our land. The owners of the land below us refuse to permit this any longer and threaten us with the law, if it is not discontinued. After due consultation with the local city engineer we thought of installing a septic tank. Plans and estimates we hereby lay before your honorable body for consideration and disposal.

In conclusion we call attention to the fact that the terms of office of Messrs. E. Schlingman, Aug. Paust and the undersigned expire this year.

And now, as we commend our institution to the faithful love and care of the entire Synod, we pray the God of all mercy, that He would

in future strengthen and advance the work of our hands to the glory of His name, and richly bless all our benefactors according to His loving kindness.

In the name of the Board,

A. J. FEEGER.

Richmond, Ind., July 3, 1912.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED AND CHILDREN'S HOME, MARS, PA.

Dear Brethren: With heartfelt gratitude to almighty God we hand in our biennial report concerning the institutions entrusted to our care. The past two years were years of labor and affliction, but also of blessing and joy. And even when the angel of death hovered over our Home, God was the comforter of His people and their guide to the better home in heaven.

Our deaconesses have labored with marked success in their arduous calling. We rejoice that synod two years ago gave this work special attention, and we hope the committee appointed for this purpose will present a plan for the furtherance of the good cause.

With reference to the Old Folks' Home we beg leave to report the following:

Since our last report 6 women and 5 men were received. Three inmates were called away by death. Two men and one woman left of their own accord, and one married couple were dismissed. At present there are 21 old people in the Home. The greatest blessing which they enjoy is the Word of God, and with this they are richly supplied. The financial condition of the institution will appear from the report of the treasurer.

The report of the Children's Home is as follows:

During the past two years 10 boys and 8 girls were received. Six boys and eight girls were returned to surviving relatives. One little girl, after having been turned over to the care of her aunt, we were compelled to take back after 18 months. One boy, about 14 years old, ran away from the Home and became unfaithful to the Lutheran church. At present there are 28 children in the home, of which 25 attend our school. For 15, surviving relatives pay boarding and furnish clothing and shoes. Our school is under the efficient care of Teacher Arthur Freitag, who is a great help to the Sisters in the bringing up of our children. Rev. Eugene Spoehr is pastor of both institutions and preaches in the Home every Wednesday evening. Besides this the inmates, as far as they are able, attend the Sunday services of the local congregation.

Our institutions sustained a great loss in the death of Mr. J. H.

Hespenheide, one of the founders and warm friends of our Homes at Mars. Mr. C. F. Goehring of Zelienople, Pa., was elected to fill the vacancy. The terms of office of Rev. H. J. Schuh and Mr. C. F. Goehring expire at this meeting.

Upon the request of a number of Ladies' Societies, we ask Synod to allow us to receive children under two years of age, and to connect with the children's home, a Home for babies.

In the name of the Board,

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. SCHUH, *President.*
E. F. A. DITTMER, *Secretary.*

BOARD OF AIDS.

A report is herewith submitted with reference to the meetings of the Board, the Treasurer's report together with that of the auditing committee and other items relating to this branch of church work.

1. The number of meetings held is as follows: Of the Board, seven, of the executive committee, two. The Board is organized at present as follows: W. A. Bowman, President; C. Vogel, Secretary; C. H. Althoff, Treasurer.

2. From the accompanying treasurer's report, we note the following points and present also a few tables for synod's consideration.

a. It shows a gradual increase of applicants. At times the needed amount is not at hand, but to an earnest appeal in our church papers for contributions, there usually was a liberal response and a balance at the close of the latter two years greater than at the close of former reports.

b. The number receiving support from this treasury at the present time is 57: 19 Pastors, 34 Pastors' Widows, 2 Teachers, 2 Teachers' Widows, and those receiving support are distributed to the several districts as follows:

	Pastors.	*Pastors' Wid.*	*Teachers.*	*Teachers' Wid.*	*Total.*
Canada District	1	..	..	..	1
Concordia District	1	3	..	..	4
Eastern District	..	7	..	..	7
English District	2	4	..	..	6
Kansas and Nebraska Dist..	2	..	..	..	2
Northern District	1	5	1	2	9
Minnesota District	3	3	..	..	6
Texas District	1	..	..	..	1
Washington District	2	1	..	..	3

Western District	3	8	1	..	12
Wisconsin District	2	3	..	..	5
Not given	1	..	..	..	1
	19	34	2	2	57

c. As to the funds for the Board of Aid Treasury.

1. The rule of synod adopted in 1900 has been very efficient in gathering the needed funds wherever introduced, but as yet not all Districts come up to the full requirements of said rule. There seems to be a lack of uniformity among the several Districts in securing funds, though collectors are appointed in all who turn over the funds gathered to the Treasurer as soon as possible. Would it not be well to urge upon the several Districts a uniform rule for the collection of funds for this cause?

2. The same is true also as to the order obtaining in forwarding funds to the Treasurer. Some collections are sent direct to the Treasurer, of which the collector has no knowledge until notice is given in *Kirchenzeitung, Standard* or *Minutes*. Some contributions are sent direct to the Treasurer, without a statement whether the amount is by the pastor, the congregation, or otherwise, and this at times leads to confusion. Again some contributions first reach the Institution Treasurer of Synod, and then after a month or two reach the Board of Aid Treasurer. The greater portion however is forwarded direct to the Treasurer by the respective collectors, and no doubt is the most orderly, efficient, and timely way. During the past two years $3,228.23 were sent independent of the collectors direct to the Treasurer; $997.44 were sent to the Institution Treasurer of Joint Synod; $6,680.44 were sent in by the respective collectors.

a. Receipts from the several Districts:

	Direct to Treas.	*By collector.*	*Total.*	*Ratio.*
Canada District	$11 00	$47 85	$58 85	$58 85
Concordia District	31 00	139 41	170 41	42 60
Eastern District	117 48	829 81	947 29	135 32
English District	87 66	1,455 92	1,543 58	257 26
Kansas and Nebraska District.	34 67	349 93	384 60	192 30
Minnesota District	50 00	1,510 38	1,562 38	260 39
Northern District	1,927 68	292 85	2,220 53	246 72
Texas District	.....	167 30	167 30	167 30
Washington District	25 08	540 00	565 08	188 36
Western District	663 78	459 97	1,123 75	93 64
Wisconsin District	59 46	812 02	871 48	174 29
F. J. Heer, Inst. Treas.....	.....	.....	997 44	.....
Other Sources, such as interest, etc.	155 16	.....	155 16	.....
Not Determined	7 00	.....	7 00	.....

Remark: The Treasurer of the Board of Aids was also for a time collector for the Northern District, hence the small sum by the present collector.

b. The fourth column shows the ratio of support by the several Districts between their contributions and the persons in their territory receiving support.

c. Average per congregation and communicant for two years:

District.	*Amount contributed.*	*Number of congregations.*	*Communicants.*	*Average by congregation.*	*Average per communicant.*
Australia	$16 03	22	1,375	$0 73	$0 01
Canada	58 85	86	5,891	68	01
Concordia	170 41	52	5,062	3 27	03
Eastern	947 29	54	11,408	17 54	08
English	1,543 58	110	15,631	14 00	09
Kansas and Nebraska.	384 60	35	2,974	10 98	12
Minnesota	1,562 38	66	5,558	23 67	28
Northern	2,220 53	100	26,951	22 20	08
Texas	167 30	22	2,265	7 60	07
Washington	565 08	64	3,348	18 82	16
Western	1,123 75	84	15,224	13 37	07
Wisconsin	871 48	113	19,600	7 71	04

d. District Minutes referring to the Board of Aids. Year 1911.

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In conclusion: A. The Board consists of seven and not of five members as given in Rev. Boehme's manuall on page 133.

B. Examine, action and items in the minutes of the Minnesota, Northern and Texas Districts, and also the minutes of Joint Synod of 1910.

C. The time of service of the following members of the board has expired: Rev. C. H. Althoff, Teacher H. Zimmermann and Mr. J. Niemann.

D. Question: What shall be done in the case, when an individual having received support shall locate permanently in another country where we have no congregations, as in Germany? Shall the support continue or cease?

Yours truly,

W. A. BOWMAN, *Pres. of Board.*

REPORTS OF THF BOARDS OF MISSIONS

HOME MISSIONS.

DEAR BRETHREN:—By God's grace our home mission work during the last two years has been eminently successful. While the demands were greater, the offerings have exceeded those of any previous two years and more missionaries could be employed than ever before. A portion of the reserve fund has been used, and a bill for supplies must be paid to the Lutheran Book Concern, yet the mission treasury has

PRACTICALLY NO DEBT,

and the reserve fund is practically intact, since these obligations are fully covered by monies advanced and loans made to missionaries.

Nineteen Fields Became Self-Supporting, as Follows:

A. By assuming the entire support of their pastors:

Big Falls, Schofield, Wis.; Bucyrus, O.; Cedar Lake, Minn.; Chicago, Ill., Gnaden Congregation; Coal Harbor, N. D.; Columbus, O., St. Luke's Congregation; Dickinson, N. D.; Farmington, Wash.; Karnes, City, Tex.; Kipling, Sask., Can.; Lancaster, O.; Monessen, Pa.; San Antonio, Tex., Grace Congregation; Tacoma, Wash., Friedens Congregation; Tonawanda, N. Y., St. Peter's Congregation; Vancouver, B. C.

B. By uniting with neighboring parishes:

Irby, Wash.; Field near Ritzville, Wash.; Whitemouth, Man., Can.

The following fields were taken from the list, and are being served by neighboring pastors:

Bulverde, Tex., Glenullin, N. D., Laurel, Md., Tell City, Ind.

The following missionaries (103) are now on our list:

Alabama: Swift, Rev. L. Lindoerfer.

California: Santa Ana, Rev. A. C. Kleinlein.

Colorado: Denver, Rev. W. Zimmermann; Evans, Student O. Schmidt; Longmont, Rev. W. L. Busch; Loveland, Rev. E. C. Sibbersen; Sterling, Rev. A. Busse.

District of Columbia: Washington, Rev. F. W. Almendinger.

Idaho: Coeur d'Alene, Student S. C. Long; Gifford, Rev. A. F. Graebener.

Illinois: Chicago, Washington Heights, Rev. W. Steinmeyer, for teacher.

Indiana: Indianapolis, Rev. D. R. Honn; Terre Haute, Student Reitter.

Kansas: Cassoday, Rev. P. P. Wilt; Washington, Rev. J. H. Prange.

Louisiana: New Orleans, Rev. F. W. Loewenstein; New Orleans, Rev. J. P. Pflueger.

Maryland: Baltimore, Rev. J. Ebert; Baltimore, Rev. L. M. Hunt; Derwood, Rev. W. A. Poovey; South Baltimore, Rev. C. F. W. Hartlage.

Michigan: Detroit, Rev. O. Wendel; Gladwin County, Rev. W. Asall; Saginaw, Rev. A. H. Peffly; South Haven, Rev. E. A. Giesel.

Minnesota: Crookston, Rev. E. Schimpfky; Hancock, Rev. G. Matthiae; St. Paul, Rev. J. Cornils, Rev. P. Rick.

Mississippi: Tibbee Station, Rev. C. Grombach.

Montana: Hingham, Rev. L. Brandt.

North Carolina: Taylorsville, Rev. O. C. Probst.

New York: North Tonawanda, Rev. A. Eberbach.

North Dakota: Max, Rev. P. H. Koosmann; Mercer, Rev. W. L. Keller; Neche, Rev. A. Heidmann; New England, Rev. A. Langendorf; Scranton, Rev. C. Bartels.

Ohio: Cincinnati, Rev. W. F. Benzin; Cleveland, Rev. A. M. Wagner; Columbus, (Linden), Rev. C. W. Bachman; Dayton, Rev. O. Tressel; Martins Ferry, Rev. B. F. Schillinger; Massillon, Rev. J. F. A. Lautenschlager; New Lexington, Rev. W. F. Wolfe; Salem, Rev. E. Butz; Warren, Rev. R. H. Long; Youngstown, Rev. H. E. Simon; Zanesville, Rev. G. A. Uber.

Oregon: Aurora, Rev. A. F. W. Benzin; Oregon City, Rev. H. Mau; Portland, Peninsular, Rev. K. O. Salzmann; Salem, Rev. P. A. Schmidt; Sherwood, Rev. C. Schink.

Pennsylvania: Broughton, Rev. O. P. Ebert; Cannonsburg, Rev. F. G. Alpers; Castle Shannon, Rev. L. O. Burry; East Pittsburg, Rev. J. Schmalenbach; Grove City, Rev. G. J. Sixt; Pittsburg, Rev. C. H. Eisenbach; Sharon, Rev. J. Zentner; West View, Rev. A. L. Heyde.

South Dakota: Alpena, Rev. H. Brunotte; Madison, Rev. W. Striepe.

Texas: Nixon, Rev. J. F. Christiansen; San Antonio, Rev. A. L. Swinehart.

Washington: Aberdeen, Rev. A. E. Minneman; Castle Rock, Rev. F. Meineke; Puyallup, Rev. K. Kilian; Seattle, Georgetown, Rev. Herm. Meyer; Spokane, C. L. Rush.

Wisconsin: Columbus, Student Holz; Glenwood City, Rev. E. G. Koosmann; Oshkosh, Rev. G. E. Kuhlman; Turtle Lake, Rev. H. Holzhausen; Weyauwega, Rev. J. Ehmke.

Wyoming: Wheatland, Rev. J. Rod

CANADA.

Alberta: Calgary, Rev. W. Loeseke; Copeville, Rev. F. Loeb; Happyland, Rev. Th. Lassen; Leduc, Student Stricker; Lethbridge, Rev. C. Grant; Pashley, Rev. J. Oberhammer; Stettler, Rev. O. Becker; Stones Corner, Rev. J. Oelkers; Wetaskivin, Rev. J. Zaetschky; Walsh, Rev. G. Spohr.

British Columbia: Victoria, Rev. O. G. M. Gerbich.

Manitoba: Brandon, Rev. Henry Meyer; Winnipeg, Rev. G. Gehrke, Rev. H. W. Kahre, Rev. P. H. Kohlmeier for teacher, Rev. J. Kroeger for teacher.

Ontario: Ottawa, Rev. F. Beer.

Saskatchewan: Craik, Rev. E. Schmok; Earl Grey, Rev. J. A. Rueter; Lakenheath, Rev. F. Roehle; Lanigan, Rev. A. H. Scheffler; Moose Jaw, Rev. W. Duerkop; Morse, Rev. J. Judt; Rhein, Rev. H. Flathmann; Rosthern, Rev. G. W. Lenz; St. Boswells, Rev. H. Sandermann; Swift Current, Rev. H. Drews.

Quite a number of fields are vacant and some new fields are under consideration.

The Most Distressing Need

which constantly presented itself was that of men to supply vacancies and begin work in new and promising fields. Especially did we find it difficult to secure missionaries for distant fields in the South and West. Our seminaries at St. Paul and Columbus relieved the situation somewhat by granting leave of absence to students who supplied in very urgent cases.

Claims of Former Missionaries.

From time to time we have been requested to make appropriations for pastors who years ago served as missionaries and are in financial distress. It is claimed that this condition has been brought about by the applicant receiving an insufficient salary both from the mission board and the self-supporting congregations served. We would ask synod for instructions as to the manner of disposing of such alleged claims.

Co-operation of the Mission Board With the Board of Aids.

In several cases, in fields of minor importance, the board employed pastors, (and in one case a student), who on account of ill health, or the infirmities of age, were not able to meet the demands of the average congregation. Ordinarily these men (excepting the student), should have been supported entirely by the Board of Aids, they were able and desirous, however, to devote such strength as they had to the work of the ministry. Upon consultation with the Board of Aids we agreed to share equally with said board in granting the support needed.

Does synod approve of such an arrangement?

Official Name of Our Board in German.

Since synod now has a board for inner missions, we suggest that the Home Mission Board be known hereafter in German as "Die Behoerde fuer Einheimische Mission."

Attendance of District Synods on the Part of the Executive.

In several cases the board did not see fit to comply with the wishes of district presidents and other pastors in regard to attending their district synods by our executive. We would ask your honorable body what it expects of the executive with reference to such attendance.

Negotiations With the German Home Mission Board of the General Council.

Last January our attention was called to a series of articles published in "Siloah" (official organ of the German Home Mission Board of the General Council). For six months charges had been published against some of our Canadian missionaries in which they were roundly abused. We immediately opened correspondence with said board and asked for an investigation of these charges by representatives of our respective boards, offering to bring our traveling missionary face to face with their mission superintendent, who is the author of most of the charges.

Our invitation was not accepted. The German Home Mission Board of the General Council, in turn, suggested as investigators a committee of arbiters, not members of our respective boards, to render decisions by which both parties should in advance agree to abide. These decisions should also "serve as a guidance in future cases." We acceded to their wishes as far as possible and suggested a committee of five members, two each from the General Council and our synod and one of the Iowa Synod. We stated, however, that rules laid down could not be binding unless approved by the respective general bodies. This answer was given on April 30th, but at this writing (July 10th) we have no reply from the German Mission Board of the General Council.

New Appropriation For the Home Mission Treasury.

Thirty-five thousand dollars a year was not sufficient to meet the needs of our home mission work during the last two years. Furthermore there ought to be a readjustment of salaries, and the demands of our work are constantly increasing.

For these reasons we ought to have an appropriation of $50,000.00 a year for the next two years.

Losses to the Church Building Fund.

A balance of $17.00, loaned to St. John's Congregation, Pontiac, Mich., in 1904, was found uncollectable, since the congregation disbanded and its property has been disposed of.

St. Matthew's Congregation, Columbus, Ohio, claimed that $200 of

their $1,500.00 loan had never been paid to them and refused to refund this amount. It was shown that as far as the fund is concerned, the money was paid out previous to 1904 to St. Mark's Congregation, Columbus, and was transferred on the books of the fund at the time a lot was bought by St. Mark's for St. Matthew's mission.

Since all efforts to convince the congregation and its pastor of the reasonableness of the board's claim proved fruitless and at the advice of Dr. Schuette, who was fully informed of the circumstances, the board agreed to accept $1,300.00 as payment in full.

We ask synod to sanction the reduction of the assets of the church building fund by $217.00 in view of these two losses.

May the Church Building Board Borrow Money?

The demands upon our Church Building Fund were specially frequent and pressing during the last two years. We had to refuse applications for more than $25,000.00. In several cases of extreme need and extraordinary opportunity we borrowed moneys in order to be able to assist the applicants. This now causes the fund to be in debt. We ask synod under circumstances such as we described to permit us to borrow moneys.

Incorporation in Canada.

Canadian law will not admit for record securities held by a corporation not recognized in that Dominion. The mortgages drawn to secure loans made there by our fund had to be made out in favor of a member of the board in trust for the Church Building Fund.

We ask Joint Synod whether our Church Building Board, or our Synod should not take out papers of incorporation in Canada.

Elections.

The terms of office of Revs. R. E. Golladay and D. P. Ebert have expired.

Rev. E. F. W. Stellhorn presents his resignation because his residence at Canton involves the loss of too much time to himself and too much expense to synod in attending the meetings of the board.

In accordance with its resolution of 1910, Joint Synod is to elect the executive officer of the home mission board at this meeting.

Giving all glory and praise to God for the blessings bestowed on our efforts during the last two years and with gratitude to the brethren for their interest and co-operation we remain sincerely,

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

R. E. Golladay, *President*,
Paul F. Hein, *Executive*,
D. P. Ebert,
E. F. W. Stellhorn,
M. R. Walter,
G. J. Troutman,
Auditing Committee.

COLORED MISSIONS.

DEAR BRETHREN:—After years of discouragement experienced in this branch of Synod's work, we, with grateful and joyful hearts, take pleasure in submitting the following report:

When the Board met for reorganization after the last meeting of Joint Synod, Mr. A. G. Snyder, for many years the faithful treasurer of the Board, to the regret of that body, declined further to serve, though re-elected by Synod. With the approval of the General President, Mr. John Gunkel of St. Mark's congregation, Baltimore, was finally elected to fill this vacancy and assumed the office of treasurer in February, 1911.

Reencouraged by the support of Synod, the Board continued its endeavors to find a white missionary and superintendent for our colored mission work. After a number of calls had again been returned, Rev. H. F. Richards in June, 1911, accepted our call and was installed into his office on August 27, 1911. Thus after about 20 years of persistent efforts on part of the Board, a missionary for this difficult field was secured to the joy of all interested in the cause; and especially since the former missionary, Rev. Phifer (colored) having died in February, 1911, our work had practically come to a standstill.

Rev. Richards and members of the Board immediately took necessary steps for the extension of the work. A thorough canvass in a colored settlement of A. A. Co. was begun, and as a result it was resolved to establish a mission school in this section at once.

All delay was avoided, the building dedicated on December 3, 1911, and the school was begun the following day with 16 pupils, which number increased to 28 in a few months. A colored teacher, Miss Virginia Carter, a member of St. Philip's church, was secured and faithfully and ably attended to her duties under the personal supervision of the missionary, so that the school has been a source of pleasure and gratification to our missionary and the Board. The first term of school closed June 3. Revs. Mueller and Mees conducted an examination of the children in the religious branches taught and Miss Carter demonstrated that her work in the secular branches compared most favorably with that done by the county schools of that section. Not only the members of the Board, but all the people of the community are convinced of the thorough success of our mission school thus far.

Prospects for future growth of this school as a means to further the upbuilding of the kingdom of Christ among the colored people of this section are bright. As an evidence of the influence of the school in this direction the first Children's Day service held on June 2 in this mission chapel, yielded an offering for missions of $11.60 to the surprise of all who understand the difficulties attending this work.

The steady progress of St. Philip's Mission in Baltimore city likewise shows, how necessary it was to get a white missionary to superintend this work. At present two young colored men are preparing them-

selves under the tutorship of Rev. Richards, as helpers and teachers, ultimately to serve as ministers of the Gospel among their own people. Pastors in Baltimore will assist Rev. Richards in the education of these candidates for the ministry.

With the establishing and furnishing of the school a debt of $700 was incurred, and in view of the increase in salaries and other expenses the regular contributions have been found insufficient and it was found necessary to make appeals for additional support.

The term of office of Rev. J. E. A. Doermann and Hon. J. J. Dobler expires at this meeting of Synod.

In the name and by authority of the Board.

J. F. MUELLER, *President*,
O. C. MEES, *Secretary*.

INNER MISSIONS.

August, 1910-1912.

DEAR BRETHREN:—According to the resolution of Synod as recorded on page 122 of Minutes of 1910, your Committee is to report on one particular feature of the Inner Mission Work, viz.: *The Christian Diaconate.*

In accordance with these resolutions we will endeavor to give brief information concerning the office of deacon as conducted in the early Church, and also make some suggestions as to ways and means of carrying on this work among us in the spirit of the ancient Church.

I. Information concerning the office of the Diaconate in the early Church.

a. Its Origin.

The account given in the Acts of the Apostles 6, 1-8, is usually referred to as the origin of the office of deacon. We regard this account not as a history of the origin of this office, but rather as a record of its introduction into the Christian Church. We find that the essential idea of this office was held and practiced by the Church of the Old Testament. This record (Acts 6, 1-8), does not suggest to us that something new was introduced into the congregation at Jerusalem, but that in the partially organized condition of the congregation a familiar institution and practice of God's people was being imperfectly administered, and that in the manner here described, regular and orderly provisions were made for the proper prosecution of this work.

By this passage of Holy Scripture we learn that the Christian Church in her *first* organized congregation, accepted the office of deacon as a wise provision to aid her faithfully to perform certain divinely

imposed duties. "In the New Testament the terms diakonos, diakonia, diakonein are used in connection with any one who renders friendly service to another. (Matt. 4, 11; 8, 15. Acts 6, 1). Also in connection with the Apostles, Presbyters, and Evangelists and their work as servants or ministers of God. (Acts 6, 4; 1 Thess. 3, 2; 1 Cor. 3, 5, etc.)

In a special sense however, the deacons were those, to whom was officially committed the Church's ministry of mercy. (1 Tim. 3, 8-12; Phil. 1, 1; Rom. 16, 1; see Lutheran Encyclopedia—Jacob & Haas.)

b. The duties.

From Holy Scriptures and Church History we learn, that the first and chief duty devolving upon the deacon in the early Church was the care of the sick and poor. This is evident from the history given in Acts 6, 1-8. It was clearly their duty to care for the orphans, widows, martyrs in prison and all the poor and sick who had any claim upon the common resources of the Church.

This care for the unfortunate and afflicted included both their spiritual and their temporal needs. In the course of time these duties were gradually extended so as to include the preservation of order in the public services, the assisting of the bishop in the administration of the Lord's Supper, the administration of baptism in cases of emergency, the reading of the Scripture Lesson for the day, and the reading of sermons by the request of the bishop.

Soon it was seen that in many instances services of mercy could be rendered more appropriately and more efficiently by women than by men, and the office of Diaconess was soon establishel in the Church. This is evident from Rom. 16, 1, when Paul says: I commend unto you Phebe our sister, who is a servant of the Church which is at Cenchrea. Paul by the word "γυναικας" in 1 Tim. 3, 11, speaks not of the wives of deacons, but of an official class of women; viz.: Deaconesses. This office was maintained, and continued to grow in favor of the Church until the 4th century, when it began to decline, and in the 10th century it was wholly abrogated, except among the Waldenses and the Bohemian brethren. After the Reformation many advocated the restoration of the office of the female diaconate to the Church, but to no avail. After the lapse of nearly nine hundred years the restoration of this ancient and effectual office of mercy, was, under God, brought about by Rev. Theodor Fliedner of Kaiserwerth, Germany, who in the year 1836 opened the first institution for the instruction of deaconesses.

In 1849 the Rev. Theodor Fliedner co-operating with the Rev. W. A. Passavant, D. D., of Pittsburgh, Pa., introduced the work in America, and, by the blessing of God this work has attained wonderful proportions in Germany, having in 1898 eighty Mother-houses belonging to the Kaiserwert Union, with 13,309 Sisters. In America, during the last few years, the development of the female diaconate has been very rapid. The first Mother-house—The Mary J. Drexel of Philadelphia, Pa., was established in the year 1884; there are now ten of these institutions

instructing women for this work of mercy, with 376 Sisters engaged in their work of love.

The possibilities for work in the Diaconate in this country are literally unlimited; the necessities for this work are immediate and pressing, the call to do this work is important, and this call comes to the Lutheran Church with special emphasis.

To those seeking further information upon this subject we would recommend the following books:

Die Weibliche Diakonie—Schaefer; Der Diakonissenberuf—Wacker; The Deaconess Calling—Mary J. Drexel Home; The Female Diaconate of the New Testament—Jacobs Luth. Church Rev.; Die Weibliche Diakonie—H. J. Schuh, Luth. Kirchenzeitung; Was Jedermann heute von der Inneren Mission wissen muss—Wurster und Henning; The Inner Mission—Dr. Ohl, Philadelphia, Pa.

II. A few practical suggestions of ways and means of carrying on the work of the Diaconate.

A. The education of our ministry, on this subject.

a. Its divine origin and evangelical character.

b. The limitless possibilities and pressing necessities for it.

c. The best methods for the prosecution of this work.

d. That our Theological Magazine, our Conferences, and Synods be made to serve as a medium of this education of the ministry.

B. The education of our laity on this work.

That sermons be preached on this subject, that articles treating of it be published in our Church Papers, and Tracts be issued in which the work is brought to the notice of our people in an interesting manner.

3. The establishment of institutions for the instruction and training of those who may desire to engage in the work of the Diaconate.

In as much as our Synod cannot at once establish such institutions, we suggest that all candidates for the diaconate within the bounds of our Synod, for the present, be sent to such institutions found within other bodies of the Lutheran Church, most especially to the Mary J. Drexel mother-house at Philadelphia.

4. The establishment of Inner Mission institutions.

Such as hospices, homes for working girls, hospitals, and the like. That our Districts and Local Conferences be urged to foster the establishment of such institutions in their respective territories, as is now being done by the Fremont and Columbus Conferences.

5. That we pray fervently and labor earnestly to secure a sufficient number of candidates for the Diaconate to serve in such institutions of mercy, and in every parish which may desire their service.

III. Acts of the committee.

The Committee organized by electing Rev. O. S. Oglesby, President, Rev. W. J. Schoman, Treasurer, and Rev. R. A. Salzwedel, Secretary. After the removal of Brother Salzwedel from this territory, Rev. W. E. Schramm was appointed in his stead.

Believing the publication and distribution of tracts to be an important feature of Inner Mission work, the first efforts of the Com-

mittee were directed along this line. Two tracts were published under the titles, "Is the Bible the Word of God?" and "I Shall not Die, but Live," ten thousand copies of each. These tracts were sent gratis to such congregations as would undertake their distribution and they are about all distributed.

The Committee has encouraged the holding of divine services in shops, eleemosynary and penal institutions, especially in the vicinity of Pittsburgh.

It is our conviction that much good might be accomplished through the establishment, in our large cities, of hospices for young men and for women. Here in the city of Pittsburgh we feel keenly the need of a Lutheran Hospice for women. The Committee has in mind a property which can be secured under conditions regarded by us as favorable, and we recommend that a hospice for women be opened in this city.

Respectfully submitted,

O. S. Oglesby,
W. E. Schramm,
W. J. Schomann,
Committee.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Dear brethren and fellow workers in the Lord:

In accordance with the instructions of the Joint Synod at Richmond the board enlarged itself by the election of Mr. William Altman and Teacher M. D. Paysen. When the latter was called to the Hebron Academy and moved thither, Teacher Geo. L. Conrad was chosen in his place.

The board has put forth earnest efforts to comply with the resolution of synod to the effect: "That this board shall secure the necessary information and present for the consideration of our Districts *definite propositions as to how and where we can establish a foreign mission of our own.*"

As a result of our investigations and deliberations we herewith lay before Joint Synod the propositions of the board with reference to the assumption of a foreign mission of our own, as, according to synodical resolution, they have been presented to the Districts. The report is before you in form of a circular. The following are the vital points:

1. With reference to Peru and other states in South America, the information that we have as yet been able to gather is not sufficient to enable us to recommend to synod a definite field in that country. Before that could be done the territory would have to be carefully investigated by a representative of synod.

2. Following the line of former negotiations with the Hermannsburg Mission Board regarding the transfer of a part of their field in India,

another effort was made to reach an agreement that would be satisfactory to both parties, so that definite propositions on the subject might be presented to synod.

The endeavor has proved successful. In the firm and joyful conviction that the Lord in His gracious providence is herein, and in view of our fraternal relations to Hermannsburg for many years, plainly directing us to India, whither we should hasten to the assistance of our Lutheran brethren, and where we would have the great advantage of their fraternal fellowship and long experience, we therefore offer the motion that Joint Synod thankfully accept the proffered stations in India and proceed at once to take the necessary steps, so that we may enter upon the work as soon as possible.

The proposition which we made to the Hermannsburg Board is, in brief, the following:

We request the Board of the Hermannsburg Mission to transfer to the Joint Synod of Ohio two or three stations, together with their present equipment and missionaries, in a portion of their field in India which would afford room for expansion, with the understanding that our synod shall pay to the Hermannsburg Mission the value of the property transferred, and that the missionaries and missionary helpers of the Ohio Synod shall be placed under the corresponding rules obtaining in the Hermannsburg Mission after such rules have been examined and approved by the representatives of synod.

In reply, the board offers to our synod the two stations Kodur and Puttur, of their Telugu Mission. The following extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Mission Council in India, held on February 22, 1911, is quoted with approval:

"The Mission Council is of the opinion that the two stations, Kodur and Puttur, situated on the line of the Madras-Bombay Railway, can be transferred to the Ohio Synod. Both of them admit of further extension of the work, since main stations can be established at the out-station Renigunta (a railway junction) and at Chitvel, sixteen miles from Kodur. Moreover, as soon as means and forces permit, the work in Madras can be carried on more effectively. This part of the mission field affords opportunity also for an extension of the very important medical mission work, forasmuch as a beginning has already been made in Kodur with the leper asylum. — Respecting the value of these stations together with their out-stations, we are of the opinion that, at a fair estimate, Kodur would be worth $4,080, and ground and irrigation plant $1,330; and Puttur, $4,000. The estimate for Kodur covers the value of the ground, but not of the buildings. As soon, however, as the Ohio Synod decides definitely, an accurate appraisement must be made by an arbitration board consisting of two members appointed by the synod and two by us."

Director Haccius adds: "It will now depend on the readiness of the Joint Synod to assume these stations. There will be no difficulty in coming to an understanding with reference to the conditions."

Events that have occurred during the past year necessitate a slight change in two points:

With reference to the work in Madras Missionary Hartwig Harms, chairman of the Mission Council in India, writes: "I would request you to omit Madras. Hitherto Madras has been so-called neutral territory for all missions. It is the point of departure for all the missions in South India. The Protestant missions have, indeed, an understanding with reference to boundaries, but according to this Madras is expressly excepted as neutral territory. * * * I would therefore request you to drop Madras from the propositions, as it might lead to misunderstanding later on."

As regards the valuation of the property, about $1,000 would have to be added to the preliminary estimate on account of the erection of a chapel at Renigunta and other improvements. "At all events," writes Missionary Harms, "you will not have to pay more, all told, than about $11,000."

3. After prolonged correspondence with the view of reaching a full understanding and agreement, articles of agreement proposed by Director Haccius having been carefully examined by the board in conjunction with the President of Joint Synod and the members of the Columbus theological faculty, the following counter-propositions were offered on our part:

Articles of Agreement

Between the Ev. Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States and the Ev. Lutheran Mission Board at Hermannsburg.

A. Conditions concerning the acquisition of the mission territory mentioned in No. 1.

No. 1. The Ev. Lutheran Mission Board of Hermannsburg transfers to the Ev. Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States the two stations of their India Telugu Mission, Kodur, together with Chitvel, and Puttur, together with Renigunta, hitherto an out-station of Tirupati, as independent mission territory and field under the following conditions stated in paragraphs two and three:

No. 2. The Ohio Synod agrees to pay to the Hermannsburg Mission Board, according to the appraisement of an impartial committee, the estimated value of the property which the Hermannsburg Mission transfers to the Ohio Synod, in consideration whereof the two stations aforementioned together with all their appurtenances shall become, per deed in fee simple and absolute, the property of the Ohio Synod.

No. 3. In case the Ohio Synod shall for any reason withdraw from this field, the Mission Board at Hermannsburg shall have the first privilege of assuming the field and purchasing the property, in accordance with the conditions and stipulations aforesaid.

B. Agreement concerning the administration of the Telugu Mission.

No. 1. The Hermannsburg Mission and the Ohio Synod agree to carry on and conduct their mission work in every respect and in all faithfulness in accordance with the Confessions of the Ev. Lutheran Church.

No. 2. With a view to the harmonious prosecution of the work among the Telugus the two parties shall use the same Bible version, liturgy, hymnals and school books, as also the same constitution, so far as it pertains to doctrine and practice.

No. 3. Until the Ohio Synod is prepared to assume the entire and complete direction of its mission, the missionaries and workers who are now on the field and who enter the service of the synod temporarily shall labor under the direction of the present Council of the Hermannsburg Mission in accordance with the mission constitution mentioned in paragraph five. The right of appeal, however, shall not be denied to such workers employed by the synod, and in case of appeal the final decision, after due consultation with the director of the Hermannsburg Mission, shall rest with the synodical board.

No. 4. Conformably to the agreement to be made between the Ohio Synod and the Hermannsburg Board with regard to the scale of salaries, pensions, and the like, the Ohio Synod shall, from the day of the execution of this agreement, assume the full support of the stations received, of the missionaries and all helpers and women workers, together with the expenses of furloughs and the premiums of pensions, as long as the synod retains such workers in its service, and so far as their financial claims have been approved by the board of synod.

No. 5. For the administration and conduct of its mission work the Ohio Synod shall adopt a mission constitution of its own, which in all essential matters shall be in harmony with the rules and regulations that obtain in the Hermannsburg Mission.

In reply to these propositions Director Haccius, in a letter dated April 17, 1912, wrote as follows:

"Your counter-propositions of January 30th * * * were considered at a session of our Mission Board yesterday and unanimously approved.

"We, too, believe that the proposed and desired agreement rests essentially on our common faith in the Lord and on love to Him, to our dear Lutheran Church and to His and its mission among the heathen, on brotherly love and mutual confidence, and that this is worth more than many paragraphs. We therefore request that you present to the Joint Synod the articles under A and B proposed by you and approved by us, and we commend this work of unity to the faithful Lord and Holy Spirit.

"We would, however, repeat our desire that a copy of the annual reports be sent to us, as the two stations to be transferred have become dear to our mission congregation. And of course we in turn shall send you our annual report. We will also send you a copy of our revised mission constitution as soon as it has been completed and approved."

For fourteen years Joint Synod has been considering the matter of assuming a foreign mission of our own. May the Lord of the harvest grant that, after such mature deliberation and discussion, this important question may finally be decided, and that it may be done in unity of

spirit, according to the Lord's holy and gracious will, and to the glory of His blessed name.

EDWARD PFEIFFER,
A. W. WERDER,
G. W. LOSE,
WILLIAM ALTMAN,
GEO. L. CONRAD.

Columbus, Ohio.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The undersigned begs leave to present to the Honorable Synod a report of his receipts and disbursements for Foreign Missions.

The work of Foreign Missions has made due progress since the meeting of Synod in Richmond. We can truly say that the cause of missions is becoming more and more of interest to the congregations. The Mission Conferences have in reality furnished a powerful impulse and healthy enthusiasm for this worthy cause, and mission festivals have become a standing feature in congregational activity.

Although the work of Foreign Missions does not occupy the most prominent position among us on account of the circumstances which have confronted us, it nevertheless has grown in importance from year to year.

We rejoice also to note progress in this respect, namely that individual congregations and individual members of our congregations are supporting orphans, bible women, teachers and native pastors. This activity serves as a connecting link between our congregations and the heathen world: Congregations which have orphan children in their care, are pleased to receive a picture or letter from the orphan who enjoys their support.

I have also received contributions for lepers and for the leper asylum, likewise also a first contribution for Medical Missions. I cannot report the receipt of any large legacies during the past two years. Two small legacies have been received, but these disclose a particularly warm interest in Foreign Missions.

We are still supporting in a private way a native pastor, a few teachers, one bible woman, and some students in India. The number of boarding and orphan children has grown considerably; to those mentioned in the last report several new ones have been added. Sunday Schools and Parochial Schools, as also Ladies' Aid and Young Ladies' Societies are active in this direction. Professor Vogel of our Teachers' Seminary is regularly gathering gifts from his scholars for Foreign Missions; and our charges in our Orphans' Home in Richmond, who certainly are not to be numbered among the rich of this world, have also sent their mite for Foreign Missions. The cry of distress from

the famine stricken population first of India and then also of China, has been heard, and has found a ready response in our congregations.

If we should come into possession of a Foreign Mission of our own—and may God grant this—we may confidently expect that the Lord of the Church will also richly bless us in this branch of His work.

To His grace we commend the great work also for the future.

A. W. WERDER,
Treasurer.

Wheeling, W. Va., July 23, 1912.

MISSION WORK AMONG THE ORIENTALS ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

Two communications are at hand from Rev. A. Krause, Portland, Ore., and Rev. O. T. Just, Vancouver, B. C., and will be referred to the respective committee.

REPORT OF THE PUBLICATION BOARD.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Board on publication matters herewith submits its fourteenth biennial report.

1. *Organization and Officers.*—The Board as elected at the convention of synod in 1910 met September 28, 1910, and organized by electing Prof. E. Pfeiffer as chairman, Rev. J. Sheatsley as secretary, Dr. F. W. Stellhorn, Prof. E. Pfeiffer and Rev. C. C. Hein as executive committee. March 13, 1911, Rev. Dannecker resigned as a member of the Board, stating that the work in his congregation and the difficulty of getting to Columbus prevented him from serving any longer. September 19, 1911, Teacher Riedel likewise tendered his resignation because he resigned his position as a parochial school teacher and could no longer represent the teachers of Synod. Both resignations were accepted and the Board appointed Rev. J. W. Kuntz of Bellevue, Ohio, and Teacher Fred C. Mayer, of Dayton, Ohio, to serve until the next meeting of Joint Synod. April 16, 1912, Rev. J. Sheatsley, after serving the Board for 20 years, tendered his resignation as its secretary on account of ill health. The Board accepted it and appointed Rev. C. C. Hein to fill the unexpired term.

2. *Zeitblaetter-Magazine.*—In accordance with Synod's resolution (1910, p. 128, a. b.) the "Theologische Zeitblaetter" and the "Theological Magazine" are being published as a bi-lingual magazine, since January, 1911. Dr. Theo. Mees having declined the assistant editorship to which he had been elected by Joint Synod, the Board appointed Prof. E. Pfeiffer to that position. He accepted the appointment with the proviso

that it should not be longer than for one year. At the expiration of that term the Board appointed Rev. C. B. Gohdes of Anna, Ohio, who is serving at the present time.

3. *Book of Concord.*—In accordance with Synod's instructions (1910 p. 131, 4) the Board took the necessary steps to publish a popular English edition of the Book of Concord. By the time the translators and the editorial committee had been appointed it was learned that the General Council was engaged in publishing a similar edition at an unusual low price. The Board, therefore, considered it unwise to continue its efforts and resolved to drop the work.

4. *Canada Branch.*—As authorized by Synod (1910, p. 130, 14) the Board established a branch book store in Winnipeg, Can., in September, 1911. The branch is under the management of the Lutheran Book Concern, and the Manager is responsible for its affairs.

5. *Building.*—Synod having granted permission (1910, p. 130, 18) the Board added a 4th and 5th story to the new building on Main St., at a cost of $20,000 which was paid out of the net profits of the Concern.

6. *Examination of Books.*—In December, 1911, the Board employed an expert accountant to examine the books of the Concern. After a most careful examination covering every department of the business, the accountant reported that he found the Concern in a most excellent condition. A few suggestions as to changes in the method of bookkeeping were adopted by the Board and ordered to be made beginning with the new fiscal year, i. e. June 1. The report of the accountant (56 typewritten pages) is herewith submitted for inspection of Synod.

7. *Tracts, Rules.*—On recommendation of a committee appointed by the Board to devise a plan for the publication and distribution of Tracts the Board adopted the following rules and regulations, to-wit:

I. ADMINISTRATION.

1. The Board shall appoint a Literature Committee which shall have charge of the work under the direction of the Board.

2. The Committee shall be composed of five members, not necessarily members of the Board.

3. The Committee shall be organized by the appointment (by the Board) of a chairman, a secretary, and a treasurer, the Manager of the Book Concern to be the treasurer. Of the other members of the Committee, two shall be appointed for two years and two for three years.

4. The Committee shall present a report of its work at every regular meeting of the Board.

II. PUBLICATION.

A. Leaflets and Pamphlets.

1. They are to be published under three groups or series: Ministerial Education Series, Missionary Series, Christian Life Series.

2. Size.—All to be uniformly 6 x 3½, ranging from 2 to 12 pages.

PRICE TO MEMBERS OF SYNOD.

2 pages 10c per 100 postpaid.
4 pages 20c per 100 postpaid.
6 pages 25c per 100 postpaid.
8 pages 30c per 100 postpaid.
12 pages 40c per 100 postpaid.

PRICE TO OTHERS.

2 pages 15c per 100 postpaid.
4 pages 25c per 100 postpaid.
6 pages 30c per 100 postpaid.
8 pages 40c per 100 postpaid.
12 pages 50c per 100 postpaid.

B. Books.

A timely series of books in English which can be used as "A Missionary Library" adapted to the needs of pastors and teachers, young people and children, etc., shall in the course of time be published. Systematic study of our needs will suggest other books and booklets from time to time.

III. DISTRIBUTION.

1. The distribution shall be supervised and executed by the Literature Committee, the office and depository to be at the Lutheran Book Concern.

2. Provision shall be made to create and maintain an endowment fund.

3. Sample copies of all leaflets and pamphlets shall be sent to all pastors and parochial school teachers.

4. The work shall be pushed by systematic personal correspondence and appeal. To make this effective a liberal policy with reference to expenses for postage and clerical work must be adopted.

5. The Committee shall urge and keep agitating the plan of distributing literature through appointed and drilled committees in the congregations.

6. Ample provision shall be made for the agitation of this plan of making timely use of the press at the meetings of conferences and synods.

Addenda: Some Explanations.

1. The Literature Committee has no authority to publish any piece of literature that has not in its main features been submitted to the Board and received the Board's approval.

2. The manuscripts shall be subject to the rule made by Joint Synod, to-wit: That manuscripts are to be submitted to the Columbus Theological Faculty.

3. The selection of authors, the editing of manuscripts, as also the

supervision of the printing and distribution, shall be in the hands of the Literature Committee.

4. This plan and any of its features are subject to change by the Board at any time.

5. The Literature Committee shall endeavor to secure the co-operation of the Inner Mission Committee, of the different boards of synod, of conferences and districts and of individual pastors, teachers and laymen, in the prosecution of its work.

8. *Literature Committee.*—The following brethren were appointed to serve on the Literature Committee:

Chairman Prof. E. Pfeiffer, for 3 years.
Secretary Rev. W. N. Harley, for 2 years.
Treasurer Rev. A. H. Dornbirer.
Rev. C. C. Hein, for 3 years.
Mr. Wm. Altman, for 2 years.

Rev. W. N. Harley having resigned as Secretary, the Board postponed filling the vacancy until after the meeting of Joint Synod. See item 14 of this report.

9. *Appropriation for Tracts.*—In order to make it possible to sell the tracts to the members of our synod at the prices quoted above—i. e. actually below cost—and to insure the widest possible circulation, we petition Joint Synod to set aside for this purpose the sum of $500.00 per annum from the profits of the Book Concern.

10. *Tracts Published.*—Thus far the following tracts have been published, to-wit:

1. Lutheran Literature.
2. Lutheran Literature Broadcast.
3. Ministerial Education Series No. 1. What is to be your life work? Why not the ministry?
4. Inner Mission Series No. 1. At our own Door.
5. Juvenile Series No. 1. The Coral Builders.
6. Christian Life Series No. 1. The Value of a soul.
7. Home Mission Series No. 1. White unto the Harvest.
8. Einheimische Missions-Serie No. 1. Es hat uns niemand gedinget.
9. Krankentrost No. 1. Erkenntnis der Suende.
10. Krankentrost No. 2. Gottes vaeterliche Absichten bei Krankheiten.

11. *Tracts to be published.*—The tracts now in preparation are:

The Home and the Ministry.
A Good Investment, Our Church Building Fund.
Come for all things are now ready.
How shall they hear without a preacher? Our Beneficiary Treasury.
Comfort in sickness No. 1. Patience in affliction.
Comfort in sickness No. 2. Knowledge of sin.
Das Elternhaus und das Predigtamt.
Dem Herrn geliehen. Unsere Kirchbaukasse.

Kommet, denn es ist alles bereit.

Wie sollen sie hoeren ohne Prediger? Unsere Benefiziaten-Kasse.

12. *Homiletical Department.*—Whereas several conferences requested the Board to introduce a Homiletical Department in the "Zeitblaetter-Magazine," the Board on account of the limited space of said periodical, resolved to submit the question whether or not this request should be granted to Joint Synod.

13. *Young People's Weekly.*—As for several years there has been a persistent demand for a weekly Sunday-school or Young People's Paper, the Board, after careful investigation, proposes to Joint Synod the publication of a Young People's weekly of 12 pages, containing the following departments, to-wit: Editorial Department 1 page, Junior Department 4 pages, Missionary Department 3 pages, Young People's or Luther League Department 4 pages, this weekly to take the place of the Child's Paper and Little Missionary.

The first issue in each month is to be sent to those desiring a monthly paper, the first and third issues to those desiring a semi-monthly paper, each issue to be complete in itself. The price will be as follows:

Weekly edition, single copies 60c; 12 or more 50c.

Semi-weekly edition, single copies 50c; 12 or more 45c.

Monthly edition, single copies 30c; 12 or more 21c.

14. *A Suggestion.*—In case Joint Synod resolves the publication of a Young People's Weekly, the Board suggests the appointment of an editor-in-chief who might also serve as General Institution Treasurer, Secretary of the Literature Committee and proof reader of all the English publications of Synod, and do other work in the interests of the Concern assigned to him by the Board.

15. *German Hymnbook.*—The committee on the revision of the German Hymnbook reports that by following Synod's instruction to return to the original text of the respective hymns, the revision in many instances would be so radical as to prevent our congregations from using both editions, i. e. the old and the revised, at the same time. Therefore the Board again submits the question of revision to Joint Synod.

16. *New Building.*—Inasmuch as two of our present tenants desire to obtain more space in the buildings of the Book Concern and the prospects are that they will rent from us for a term of ten years, if we will furnish the necessary space, we ask Joint Synod to permit the Board to add a fourth story to the factory building in the rear, and connect the old and the new building from the second to the fifth floor. According to the bid accepted by the Board, with the proviso that Synod grant this permission, the cost of proposed changes will amount to $12,772.00.

17. *German Professorship Fund.*—Inasmuch as the German Professorship Fund has reached the sum of $10,076.20, the Board herewith petitions Joint Synod to resolve that $10,000.00 be turned over to the Institution, and that hereafter whenever an additional $5,000.00 has

accumulated, it be turned over until the amount of $30,000.00 has been reached.

18. *Printing.*—As conditions might arise which would make it advisable for the Book Concern to enter into the printing business as far as its own publications are concerned, we ask Joint Synod to grant the Board permission to do so, providing the President and the Vice-Presidents of Joint Synod give their consent.

19. *Publications Issued.*—During the last two years the following publications were issued:

8,000 Catechism.
8,000 Katechismus.
5,000 Hymnal with Music.
5,000 Psalterlust.
3,000 German-English Catechism.
3,000 Mission Hymns.
3,000 Gesangbuch, Taschenformat.
1,000 Gesangbuch, Mittelformat.
3,000 Hymnal, Pocket.
3,000 Primary Bible Narratives.
5,000 Intermediate Bible Narratives.
3,000 Biblische Geschichte, Klein.
3,000 Biblische Geschichte, Gross.
5,000 S. S. Hymnal.
3,000 Little Treasure of Prayer.
3,000 Zweites Lesebuch.
3,000 Lorenzen Fibel.
8,000 Lindemann Fibel.
2,000 Prayers for Little Ones.
6,000 Bible Picture Cards.
1,000 Prayers for Indiviuals and Families.
3,000 English Enchiridion.
1,000 Mission Hymnal.
1,000 Mission Hymnal, German and English.
1,000 Missions-Gesangbuch.
5,000 Lektionsblaetter fuer Unterklassen.
5,000 Lektionsblaetter fuer Oberklassen.
3,000 Enchiridion.
5,000 Junior Lesson Annual.
1,000 Narratives on Catechism.
1,500 Loy, Sermons on Epistles.
5,000 Communion Announcement Cards.
1,000 John Schenk.
1,000 Stellhorn, Schriftbeweiss.
34,000 Kalender.
16,000 Almanacs.

20. *Publications to be issued.*—The following publications are now in preparation:

Pocket Liturgy—Rev. J. H. Kuhlmann.

Taschenagende — Rev. C. C. Hein.
Book of Daily Devotions — Dr. C. H. L. Schuette.
Taegliches Andachtsbuch — Dr. C. H. L. Schuette.
In His Service, A Talk to the Confirmed — Rev. G. T. Cooperrider.
New Edition of Charts.
Catechisations on Luther's Small Catechism. — Rev. H. J. Schuh.
Katechesen ueber Luthers Kleinen Katechismus — Teacher Ph. Scharmann.
English Block Calendar (Abreisskalender) — Rev. Otto Mees.
Revised and enlarged edition of Graul's Distinctive Doctrines — Rev. W. L. Spielman.
Kirchengeschichte fuer Gemeinde- und Sonntagsschulen — Prof. W. Schmidt.
Das Kirchenjahr. Fuer Gemeinde- und Sonntagsschulen — Prof. C. Vogel.
Revised edition of Lorenzen's Fibel — Teacher A. F. Lorenzen.
A new series of Lesebuecher covering a course of seven years — Prof. C. Vogel.
Sermons on the New Eisenach Gospel Pericopes — Rev. J. Sheatsley.

21. *Elections.* — The following elections are necessary: Editors and assistant editors of "Zeitblaetter-Magazine", Kirchenzeitung, Standard, Kinderfreude, Child's Paper and Little Missionary, Members of Publication Board to succeed Dr. F. W. Stellhorn, Mr. M. Loy, and Mr. Wm. C. Windisch, each for six years; Rev. J. W. Kuntz and Teacher Fred C. Mayer for four years to serve the unexpired term of Rev. H. P. Dannecker and Teacher L. R. Riedel resigned.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. HEIN, *Secretary.*

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

REPORT OF TREASURERS.

Synodical Treasury.

July 23, 1910, to July, 1912.

RECEIPTS.

1910.			
July	23.	To Balance in Treasury.....	$510 48
Aug.	10.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt (old account)	202 00
	20.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht (old account)	100 00
Sept.	8.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht (old account)	247 23
	12.	To cash, from Equalization Fund, Prof. Ahl.....	1 65
	26.	To cash Northern District, Teacher J J Balmer, (old account)	150 00
Oct.	4.	To cash Northern District, Teacher J. J. Balmer, (old account)	100 00
	10.	To cash Northern District, Teacher J. J. Balmer, (old account)	165 00
Nov.	8.	To cash First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman	200 00
	14.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth, (old account)	50 00
	16.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt.....	20 46
	21.	To cash Northern District, Teacher A. H. Roehr...	100 00
	29.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht, (old account)	63 75
Dec.	7.	To cash Minnesota District, Teacher H Bammann.	250 00
	17.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth (old account)	100 00
	30.	To cash First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman.	41 00
	31.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth (old (old account)	50 00
1911.			
Jan.	6.	To cash Minnesota District, Teacher H Bammann.	200 00
	18.	To cash, Washington District, Rev. A. Kraus, (old account)	50 00
March	9.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht....	89 70
	20.	To cash, Canada District, Rev. H. W. Kahre.....	25 00

April	12.	To cash from Manuscript of Dr. M. Loy, sold to our Book Concern	100 00
May	8.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth...	58 00
	11.	To cash Northern District, Teacher A. H. Roehrs..	100 00
	15.	To cash Kansas & Nebraska District, Rev. C. Dagefoerde	45 80
	22.	To cash Texas District, Rev. J. C. Felger.....	51 00
	26.	To cash Northern District, Teacher A. H. Roehrs.	300 00
	31.	To cash, Washington District, Rev. A. Kraus, (old account)	54 80
	31.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth....	50 00
June	5.	To cash Texas District, Rev. J. C. Felger.....	6 00
	9.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo Marth.....	100 00
	14.	To cash Kansas & Nebraska District, Rev. C. Dagefoerde	33 00
	17.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth....	150 00
	27.	To cash, Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt...	134 30
July	31.	To cash, First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman	100 00
Aug.	10.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt.....	100 00
	17.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht.....	100 00
Sept.	7.	To cash Northern District, Teacher A. H. Roehrs.	265 00
	8.	To cash, First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman	100 00
	14.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht...	81 55
Oct.	10.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt....	50 00
Nov.	13.	To cash Wisconsin District, Teach. G. A. Timmermann	100 00
	14.	To cash Texas District, Rev. J. C. Felger.....	57 00
Dec.	1.	To cash Washington District, Rev. Geo. Pauschert.	85 00
	1.	To cash First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman	141 00
	22.	To cash Minnesota District, Teacher H. Bammann.	200 00
1912.			
Jan.	23.	To cash Concordia District, Mr. N. S. Dasher.....	63 99
Feb.	8.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt...	100 00
	18.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht.....	94 15
	29.	To cash First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman	100 00
April	17.	To cash Wisconsin District, Teacher G. A. Timmermann	200 00
May	1.	To cash Minnesota District, Rev. H. Bammann....	250 00
	2.	To cash Wisconsin District, Teacher G. A. Timmermann	50 00
	7.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. G. Schmidt....	199 24
	17.	To cash Washington District, Rev. G. Pauschert....	85 00
June	5.	To cash Wisconsin District, Teacher G. A. Timmermann	208 00

	17.	To cash Kansas and Nebraska District, Rev. C. Dagefoerde	81 20
	29.	To First English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman...	200 00
July	1.	To cash Western District, Rev. H. B. Schmidt....	300 00
July	13.	Total receipts	$7,210 30
	13.	Total Disbursements, page —	6,675 32
July	13.	Balance in Treasury	$534 98

C. NAGEL, *Treas of Joint Synod.*

Springfield, Ohio, July 13, 1912.

BALANCE DUE FROM DISTRICTS ON APPORTIONMENT OF THE JOINT SYNOD FOR 1910-1912.

July	13.	Northern District	$765 00
	13.	Eastern District	240 85
	13.	Canada District	191 00
	13.	Concordia District	246 01
		Total	$1,442 86

SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, July 16, 1912.

We, the undersigned committee appointed by President Dr. Schuette, have compared this report with the books of C. Nagel, Treasurer, and found the same to be correct.

GEO. W. FRANK, *Teller Springfield Natl Bank.*
ALBERT HAY,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

July 23d, 1910 to July, 1912.

DISBURSEMENTS.

1910.			
Aug.	20.	By cash to Rev. A. H. Reiman, Voucher 1.....	$3 50
	20.	By cash to Rev. A. H. Reiman, Voucher 2.....	3 50
	20.	By Cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, Voucher 3.....	10 75
	27.	By cash to Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, Voucher 4..	5 20
	27.	By cash to Rev. W E. Schuette, Voucher 5.....	5 65
	27.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, Voucher 6.....	14 65
	29.	By cash to Rev. G. Fincke, Voucher 7.....	92 50
	29.	By cash to Rev. P. Gruschupf, Voucher 8.....	86 00
	29.	By Cash to Dr. H. Steinmann, Voucher 9.....	65 50
	29.	By cash to Rev. G. Gehrke, Voucher 10.....	50 00
	29.	By cash to Rev. F. Pohlmann, Voucher 11.....	35 00

	29.	By cash to Rev. J. G. Appel, Voucher 12.....	30 70
	29.	By cash to Prof. H. K. G. Doermann, Voucher 13.	26 00
	29.	By cash to Dr. Ernst, Voucher 14.....	26 00
	29.	By cash to Prof W. L. Spielman, Voucher 15.....	25 30
	29.	By cash to Rev. J. E. A. Doermann, Voucher 16...	24 70
	29.	By cash to Rev. J. F. Miller, Voucher 17.....	20 70
	29.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, Voucher 18.....	19 35
	29.	By cash to Rev. W. E. Schramm, Voucher 19.....	12 70
	29.	By cash to Rev. H. A. Schuh, Voucher 20.....	12 70
	29.	By cash to Rev. A. G. Bergener, Voucher 21.....	10 00
	29.	By cash to Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, Voucher 22.	8 50
	29.	By cash to Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Voucher 23...	8 30
	29.	By cash to Rev. J. M. Senter, Voucher 24.....	5 00
	29.	By cash to Rev. J. H. Schneider, Voucher 25.....	4 60
	29.	By cash to Dr. F. W Stellhorn, Voucher 26.....	4 60
	29.	By cash to Dr. Theo. Mees, Voucher 27.....	4 60
	29.	By cash to Prof. E. Pfeiffer, Voucher 28.....	4 60
	29.	By cash to Prof. H. Leonard, Voucher 29.....	4 60
	29.	By cash to Prof. L. H. Schuh, Voucher 30.....	4 60
	29.	By cash to Rev. H. P. Dannecker, Voucher 31.....	3 70
	29.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, Voucher 32.....	3 00
	29.	By cash to Mr. C. Nagel, Voucher 33.....	2 70
	30.	By cash to Rev. J. F. C. Soller, Voucher 34.....	11 80
	30.	By cash to Prof. W. D. Ahl, Voucher 35.....	17 70
	30.	By cash to Prof. A. Pflueger, Voucher 36..... ...	2 40
	30.	By cash to Printing, G. O. Ballinger Co, Voucher 37.	1 00
	30.	By cash to Printing, G. O. Ballinger Co, Voucher 38.	6 50
Sept.	6.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 39.....	100 00
	8.	By cash to Dr. G. H. Schodde, Voucher 40.....	4 60
	12.	By cash to Prof. W. D. Ahl, Voucher 41.....	25 00
	12.	By cash to Prof. A. Pflueger, Voucher 42.....	25 00
	12.	By cash to Mr. N. S. Dasher, Voucher 43.....	18 50
	12.	By cash to Mr. R. M. Bumgarner, Voucher 44.....	18 50
	14.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 45.....	26 56
	27.	By cash to Teacher J. J. Ballmer, Voucher 46.....	2 25
Oct.	4.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 47.....	100 00
	4.	By cash to Rev. L. M. Burry, Voucher 48.....	12 95
Nov.	4.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 49.....	100 00
	29.	By cash to Rev. H. F. Reiman, Voucher 50.....	3 00
	29.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, Voucher 51.....	10 75
Dec.	2.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 52.....	100 00
	2.	By cash to Rev. E. A Boehme, Voucher 53.....	7 20
	24.	By cash to Miss Jennie Buhr, Golden, Ill., on note of May 24, 1909, $963.35 and 7 mos. interest $22.50, Voucher 54.....	985 85
1911.			
Jan.	6.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 55.....	100 00
	9.	By cash to Teacher G. L. Conrad, Voucher 56.....	4 40

	9.	By cash to Mr. J. H. Stellhorn, Voucher 57.....	14 00
	9.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, Voucher 58.....	14 97
	9.	By cash to Mr. S. M. Hamrick, Voucher 59.....	18 50
	12.	By cash to Rev. Geo. Diemer, Voucher 60.....	7 00
	23.	By cash to Mr. J. H. Fuhrmann, Voucher 61.....	3 10
Feb.	3.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 62.....	100 00
March	9.	By cash to Rev. H. F. Reiman, Voucher 64.....	3 50
	3.	By cash to Dr. M Loy, Voucher 63.....	100 00
	9.	By cash to Mr. E. C. Cronenwett, Voucher 65....	2 05
	9.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, Voucher 66.....	21 15
	9.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, Voucher 67.....	13 00
April	3.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 68.....	100 00
	12.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 69.....	100 00
May	8.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 70.....	100 00
June	9.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 71.....	100 00
	19.	By cash to Teacher G. L. Conrad, Voucher 72.....	4 60
	19.	By cash to Teacher G. R. Lange, Voucher 73.....	9 90
	19.	By cash to Rev. M. L. Baum, Voucher 74.....	7 50
	19.	By cash to Rev. H. L. Ridenour, Voucher 75.....	4 40
	19.	By cash to Mr. G. Hagelberger, Voucher 76.....	13 50
	20.	By cash to Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Voucher 77....	50 00
	20.	By cash to Rev. M. C. Hecht, Voucher 78.....	17 50
	20.	By cash to Mrs. Cath. Lehmann, Voucher 79.....	200 00
	26.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, Voucher 80.....	16 80
	27.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, Voucher 81.....	42 00
	27.	By cash to Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt, Voucher 83....	23 05
	27.	By cash to Rev. A. H. Dornbirer, Voucher 83.....	21 10
July	3.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 84.....	100 00
	3.	By cash to Rev. G. Diemer, Voucher 85.....	10 50
	12.	By cash to Rev. W. E. Schuette, Voucher 86.....	16 55
	17.	By cash to Mr. Ed. Lauckner, Voucher 87.....	10 00
Aug.	1.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 88.....	100 00
	11.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 89.....	100 00
	17.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, Voucher 90.....	7 00
	17.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, Voucher 91.....	14 40
	17.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, Voucher 92.....	11 00
	17.	By cash to Rev. J. H. Reiman, Voucher 93.....	7 50
	17.	By cash to Dr. H. Ernst, Voucher 94.....	38 35
Sept.	5.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 95.....	100 00
	8.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 96.....	266 05
Oct.	3.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 97.....	100 00
	25.	By cash to Rev. W. E. Schramm, Voucher 98.....	12 95
	25.	By cash to Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, Voucher 99..	14 30
Nov.	2.	By cash to Rev. G. Pauschert, Voucher 101.....	85 00
Dec.	1.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 100.....	100 00
	4.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 102.....	100 00
	22.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, Voucher 103.....	6 60

	22.	By cash to Rev. C. F Allwardt, Voucher 104.....	5 65
	23.	By cash to Mr. J. H. Stellhorn, Voucher 105.....	7 00
1912.			
Jan.	12.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 106.....	100 00
	23.	By cash to Messrs. Bumgarner, $21.33; Hamrick, $21.33; and Dasher, $21.33, Voucher 107.....	63 99
Feb.	2.	By cash to Teacher J. J. Ballmer, Voucher 108.....	3 00
	8.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 109.....	100 00
	18.	By cash to Rev. J. H. Reimann, Voucher 110.....	8 00
	18.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, Voucher 111.....	11 15
March	6.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 112.....	100 00
	6.	By cash to Mrs. Cath Lehmann, Voucher 113.....	200 00
	6.	By cash to Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Voucher 114..	50 00
	6.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, Voucher 115.....	14 40
April	4.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 116.....	100 00
	12.	By cash to Rev. M. Hecht, Voucher 117.....	8 35
	17.	By cash to Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt, Voucher 118..	10 30
	17.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 119.....	200 00
May	1.	By cash to Dr. H. Ernst, Voucher 120.....	34 20
	1.	By cash to Dr. F. W. Stellhorn, Voucher 121.....	4 90
	1.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, Voucher 122.....	6 20
	2.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 123.....	100 00
	6.	By cash to Prof. H. K. G. Doermann, Voucher 124.	32 50
	17.	By cash to Rev. G. Pauschert, Voucher 125.....	85 00
	28.	By cash to Rev. C. H. D. Winterhoff, Voucher 126..	10 00
	28.	By cash to Mr. G. Hagelberger, Voucher 127.....	16 20
June	5.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 128.....	100 00
	28.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, Voucher 129.....	14 40
	28.	By cash to Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt, Voucher 130....	5 50
	28.	By cash to Mr. C. Nagel, Voucher 131.....	12 80
	28.	By cash to Mr. G. A. Lange, Voucher 132.....	7 70
	28.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, Voucher 133.....	6 45
	28.	By cash to Rev. M. L. Baum, Voucher 134.....	7 50
	29.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 135.....	200 00
July	1.	By cash to Luth. Book Concern, Voucher 136.....	300 00
	6.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Ridenour, Voucher 137.....	5 50
	10.	By cash to Dr. M. Loy, Voucher 138.....	100 00
	10.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, Voucher 139.....	13 65
July	13.		$6,675 32

Theological Seminary, Columbus, Ohio.

Inventory of Endowments and Their Investments.

1.	Baughman Fund	$28,000 00
2.	Birch Fund	100 00

3.	Miller Fund	100 00
4.	Finke Fund	200 00
5.	Hueseman Fund	500 00
6.	Anspach Fund	1,500 00
7.	H. E. L. Fund	1,000 00
8.	Kettering Fund	500 00
	Total Funds	$31,900 00

INVESTMENTS.

1.	Note of The Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States	$23,000 00
2.	Note of The Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States	100 00
3.	Note of The Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States	100 00
4.	Note of The Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States	200 00
5.	Mortgage Loan to Mr. Erlenbach	2,000 00
6.	Mortgage Loan to St. Mark's, Dayton, O	400 00
7.	Mortgage Loan to Mr. Ph. Hecht	2,600 00
8.	Note of Amalia Broenstrup	100 00
9.	Stock Certificate, Building Association	1,000 00
10.	Carrollton, Ohio, Municipal Bonds	2,307 00
11.	Special Balance Deposit	93 00
	Total Investments	$31,900 00

INVESTMENTS COLLECTED AND REINVESTED DURING FISCAL YEAR, DECEMBER 5, 1910-DECEMBER 5, 1911.

Collected.

Jan.	24.	Kettering Fund, (New Fund)	$500 00
	27.	Note, St. Paul's congregation	1,000 00
	27.	Certificate, Mutual Building Association	500 00
	27.	Certificate, Miami Bldg. Association	500 00
Mar.	20.	Paid on Mortgage by Erlenbach	500 00
Aug.	18.	Certificate, Germania Bldg. Association	600 00
	18.	Certificate, Buckeye Bldg. Association	721 33
	18.	Certificate, Franklin Bldg. Association	500 00
	18.	Note paid by M. C. Hecht	1,178 67
		Total	$6,000 00

Reinvested as follows.

Jan.	28.	Carrollton, Ohio, Muncipal Bonds	$2,307 00
Aug.	18.	Mortgage Loan to Ph. Hecht	2,600 00
	18.	Certificate Building and Loan Association	1,000 00
	18.	Balance placed on special deposit	93 00
		Total	$6,000 00

CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR, DECEMBER 5, 1910-DECEMBER 5, 1911.

Dec.	5.	Balance on hand	$267 34
		Balance in Library Fund	89 12
		Interest from F. J. Heer	224 00
	6.	Interest from Buckeye Bldg. Association	18 03
	28.	Interest from F. J. Heer	300 00
	28.	Interest from Mutual Bldg. Association	12 50
Jan.	4.	Interest from Miami Bldg. Association	12 50
	4.	Interest from St. Paul's congregation	25 00
	4.	Interest from St. Paul's congregation	4 17
	4.	Interest from Mr. Erlenbach	152 50
Mar.	20.	Interest from Germania Bldg. Association	15 00
April	4.	Interest from Franklin Bldg. Association	12 50
May	8.	Interest from F. J. Heer	650 00
	10.	Interest from Amalia Broenstrup	6 00
June	26.	Interest from Buckeye Bldg. Association	18 03
July	1.	Interest from Mutual Bldg. Association	9 82
	1.	Interest from St. Mark's congregation	20 00
	12.	Interest from Carrollton, Ohio, Bonds	107 65
Aug.	30.	Interest from M. C. Hecht	58 93
Nov.	1.		
		Total Receipts	$2,003 09

DISBURSEMENTS.

1910.			
Dec.	28.	A. E. Schlingman	$200 00
	28.	G. K. Leonard, Library Fund	89 00
Jan.	28.	Advanced on Bonds, (Accumulated Interest)	53 06
April	14.	A. E. Schlingman	295 00
	28.	H. E. L.	25 00
July	20.	A. E. Schlingman	300 00
Aug.	18.	Expense of recording mortgage	1 00
Nov.	6.	H. E. L.	25 00
	6.	A. E. Schlingman	300 00
Dec.	4.	M. C. Hecht, services	1 00
		G. K. Leonard	124 00
		In treasury for Library	12
			589 91
		Total	$2,003 09

Audited Dec. 4, 1911.
G. A. LANGE,
J. C. TRUMP,
HERMAN ROGGE,

Respectfully submitted,
M. C. HECHT, *Treasurer.*

Capital University.

From July 1, 1910 to June 30, 1912.

Receipts.

Balance July 1, 1910		$460 30
From General Treasurer, 1910-1911	$8,800 00	
From General Treasurer, 1911-1912	10,800 00	
From Students, 1910-1911	4,259 56	
From Students, 1911-1912	4,356 36	
From Scholarship Interest, 1910-1911	2,046 27	
From Scholarship Interest, 1911-1912	2,255 58	
From Interest on Permanent Funds, 1910-1911	1,305 15	
From Interest on Permanent Funds, 1911-1912	1,303 72	
From Interest on Seminary Funds, 1910-1911	124 00	
From Interest on Seminary Funds, 1911-1912	124 00	
From Rents, 1910-1911	652 22	
From Rents, 1911-1912	585 25	
From Gas, 1910-1911	180 00	
From Gas, 1911-1912	214 20	
From Refunds, 1910-1911	68 87	
From Refunds, 1911-1912	118 60	
From Unclassified Sources, 1910-1911	147 06	
From Unclassified Sources, 1911-1912	455 92	
		$37,796 76
Total		$38,257 06

Disbursements.

On Salaries:—		
Dr. Stellhorn, 1910-1911	$1,560 00	
Dr. Stellhorn, 1911-1912	1,600 00	
		$3,160 00
Dr. Schodde, 1910-1911	1,530 00	
Dr. Schodde, 1911-1912	1,550 00	
		3,080 00
Dr. Schuh, 1910-1911	1,600 00	
Dr. Schuh, 1911-1912	1,600 00	
		3,200 00
Dr. Mees, 1910-1911	1,530 00	
Dr. Mees, 1911-1912	1,550 00	
		3,080 00
Prof. Pfeiffer, 1910-1911	1,460 00	
Prof. Pfeiffer, 1911-1912	1,500 00	
		2,960 00

Prof. Lenski, 1910-1911	.....	
Prof. Lenski, 1911-1912	1,500 00	
		1,500 00
Dr. Ackerman, 1910-1911	1,120 00	
Dr. Ackerman, 1911-1912	1,200 00	
		2,320 00
Prof. Singer, 1910-1911	1,260 00	
Prof. Singer, 1911-1912	1,300 00	
		2,560 00
Prof. Schmitt, 1910-1911	1,120 00	
Prof. Schmitt, 1911-1912	1,200 00	
		2,320 00
Prof. Mackensen, 1910-1911	200 00	
Prof. Mackensen, 1911-1912	1,000 00	
		1,200 00
Prof. Leonard, 1910-1911	1,260 00	
Prof. Leonard, 1911-1912	1,300 00	
		2,560 00
Rev. Sheatsley, 1910-1911	200 00	
Rev. Sheatsely, 1911-1912	200 00	
		400 00
Prof. Fox, 1910-1911	140 00	
Prof. Fox, 1911-1912	164 00	
		304 00
C. M. Douthitt, 1910-1911	150 00	
C. M. Douthitt, 1911-1912	150 00	
		300 00
Tutors, 1910-1911	72 40	
Tutors, 1911-1912	36 60	
		109 00
Total for teaching	$29,053 00	
Treasurer, 1910-1911	100 00	
Treasurer, 1911-1912	100 00	
		200 00
For Janitor Service and other Labor, 1910-1911	$637 09	
Janitor Service and other Labor, 1911-1912	694 30	
		1,331 39
Repairs, 1910-1911	592 50	
Repairs, 1911-1912	778 71	
		1,371 21
Supplies, 1910-1911	433 86	
Supplies, 1911-1912	449 57	
		883 43
Gas, 1910-1911	908 88	
Gas, 1911-1912	1,031 20	
		1,940 08

Water, 1910-1911	279 45	
Water, 1911-1912	213 11	
		492 56
Telephone, 1910-1911	70 00	
Telephone, 1911-1912	70 00	
		140 00
Insurance, 1910-1911	127 53	
Insurance, 1911-1912	144 13	
		271 66
Library, 1910-1911	50 00	
Library, 1911-1912	118 10	
		168 10
Improvements, 1910-1911	444 71	
Improvements, 1911-1912	189 10	
		633 81
Postage and Printing, 1910-1911	89 99	
Postage and Printing, 1911-1912	81 43	
		171 42
Taxes, 1910-1911	70 82	
Taxes, 1911-1912	91 28	
		162 10
Refunds, 1910-1911	104 50	
Refunds, 1911-1912	228 00	
		332 50
Unclassified, 1910-1911	282 10	
Unclassified, 1911-1912	713 15	
		995 25
		$38,146 51

Balance June 30, 1912 ..... $110 55

GEO. K. LEONARD, *Treas.*

Audited July 12, 1912.

CARL ACHERMANN,
S. A. SINGER,
Committee.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND PERMANENT FUNDS.

Number of Scholarships in force	57
Aggregate value of Scholarships in force	$45,600 00
Number of Scholarships not in force	35½
Aggregate value	$28,600 00

Permanent Funds.

Gehritz	$100 00
Wachendorf	700 00
J. Poorman	100 00
Frederick	200 00

J. Rush	25 00	
Pembervllle	500 00	
Mack Endowment	200 00	
Kamper Endowment	9,367 96	
Heffner	1,000 00	
E. Schmid	2,000 00	
Wm. Frechtling	100 00	
Youse	5,600 00	
Stiffler	500 00	
J. Hoertz	300 00	
V. Weidner	200 00	
Cath. Smith	500 00	
Daeuble	200 00	
Stratner	144 44	
C. Hetter	200 00	
Margaret Shelly	116 04	
Mary Mechling	4,200 00	
		$26,253 44
Barbara Wolf, Fund	$475 00	
Invested in Spangler property:		
Christina Rudolph Fund	12,662 44	
Reserved for Library	.....	
		13,137 44
		$113,590 88
Total Funds and Scholarships paid-up and now invested or on deposit		$75,668 86

Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

From July 1, 1910, to July 15, 1912.

INCOME.

From General Institute Treasurer, F. J. Heer		$16,900 00
Interest on legacies		135 66
Collections of Old Accounts	$1,302 80	
Collections of Tuition	1,666 60	
Collections of Rent	559 25	
Collections for Fuel	980 64	
Collections for Light	181 25	
Collections for Laboratory Fees	26 50	
Collections for Diplomas	10 00	
		$4,727 04
Collections of Rent, President's House		300 00

Miscellaneous, Including $56.94 of General Collection From Congregation		163 24
		$22,225 94

Expenses.

Debit on July 1, 1910		$27 61
Salaries —		
Dr. H. Ernst	$3,200 00	
Prof. H. Doermann	3,000 00	
Prof. Wm. Schmidt	2,600 00	
Prof. G. Kroening	2,400 00	
Prof. K. Busch	2,100 00	
H. Kroening (assistant)	200 00	
H. Bammann (organist)	150 00	
Rev. Rick (gymnasium)	30 00	
		$13,680 00
Care of furnaces and engine		285 00
Janitor service		438 75
Gasoline and supplies for engine		143 37
Coal		1,573 03
Rent for Fiebke house		300 00
Water (+ initial expense)		403 75
Electric light and supplies (+ initial expense)		1,084 22
Furniture, fixtures and general supplies		1,267 23
Repairs and labor		967 29
Laboratory (appropriation and fees)		289 00
Library (appropriation and back dues)		316 00
Telephone		111 00
Car fare to Prof. S.		1 40
Stationery, stamps and printing		35 18
President's house outlay		138 25
Insurance		234 00
Interest paid		763 05
Tuition, etc., returned		44 00
Arrears to Prof. Doermann		63 00
Miscellaneous		168 10
		$22,323 23

Summary.

Income	$22,225 94
Expense	22,333 23
Debit July 15, 1912	$107 29

K. G. A. Busch, *Treas.*

Luther Seminary Legacies.

Pausing Legacy.

Amount $450 00
Interest at 5% to Library available.

Nuehsing and Flanagan Ill. Legacies.

Amount—each $500 ..... $1,000 00
Interest to benefit of indigent students.

Catherine Smith Legacy.

Amount $500 00
Interest at 5%.—Income to Seminary.

Elk River, Rudolph and Theo. Daeuble Legacies.

Amount—$70.00, $2,000.00 and $50.00, respectively..... $2,120 00
No restriction.—Income to Seminary.

$4,070 00

Budget for 1912-1914.

Probable expense:

Salaries for five teachers	$13,600 00
Care of heating plant	300 00
Janitor work and supplies	450 00
Coal	2,400 00
Water	120 00
Electric light fixtures and supplies	1,000 00
Equipment, furniture, general fixtures and supplies	1,000 00
Repairs and labor	800 00
Laboratory	200 00
Library	200 00
Telephone	96 00
Insurance	150 00
Music	150 00
Gymnasium instruction	200 00
Grading and laying gas mains	800 00
Miscellaneous (stat. printing, express, postage included).	100 00
Debit of 1910-1912	107 29
Interest	500 00
	$22,173 29

Probable Income:

Collections from students	$3,500 00
Interest on legacies	260 00
	$3,760 00

Requested appropriation from Synod.....$18,413 29

K. G. A. Busch *Treasurer.*

Wm. V. Fischer,
A. C. Ernst,
Geo. Diemer,
Wm. Pomplum.
Auditing Com. and Approp. Com.

Woodville Normal, Woodville, Ohio.

July 15, 1910 to July 15, 1912.

Receipts.

Balance on hand July 15, 1910	$610 00	
From General Treasurer (including interest on note of $1,300)	9,000 00	
Students	3,044 50	
Commencement and Volksfest	345 05	
Collection at Salem's Church (Rev. Johannsen)	97 01	
Diplomas	40 50	
H. Blase, sen	150 00	
Unclassified sources	107 50	
		$13,394 56

Disbursements.

A. Salaries:

Dir. K. Hemminghaus	$2,500 00	
Prof. C. Robinson	2,100 00	
Prof. F. Assenheimer	2,100 00	
Prof. O. Trapp	1,000 00	
Prof. O. Moench	1,050 00	
Prof. G. Allwardt	1,050 00	
Prof. K. Vogel	200 00	
Rev. T. Langendorff	60 00	
Student Schmidt	30 00	
		$10,090 00

B. Miscellaneous Expenditures:

Coal	$600 00	
Moving expenses (Prof. Allwardt)	77 00	
Telephone	24 55	
Insurance	105 00	
Piano—music	381 39	
Cleaning vaults	87 40	
Taxes	11 52	
Slate roof and repairs	279 22	
Janitor and other labor	485 02	
Furnace repairs	133 00	

Plumbing	65 00	
Painting and papering	264 00	
Laboratory	50 00	
Interest	130 00	
Matting and shades	31 00	
Tables and chairs	23 00	
Hardware	24 00	
Electrical work	50 00	
Printing and stationery	69 00	
Traveling expenses in interest of school	16 10	
Lumber	13 44	
Cement walk	22 00	
Unclassified	142 73	
		$3,084 37
Balance July 15, 1912		$220 00

Respectfully submitted,

K. HEMMINGHAUS, *Treas.*

Audited and found correct.

F. E. ASSENHEIMER,
C. VOGEL,
Committee.

Pacific Seminary, Olympia, Wash.

July 14, 1910 to July 6, 1912.

A. RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand July 14, 1910			$183 63
	1910-1911	1911-1912	
From F. J. Heer	$2,450 50	$2,050 00	
Tuition	231 75	340 50	
Surplus of Commercial Department	222 25	237 85	
Room Rent	157 85	280 80	
Legacy of Rev. A. Kenter, deceased	129 56	.....	
Net proceeds of lecture course	69 42	.....	
Donations and collections	55 44	31 30	
Fuel	26 00	93 90	
Water rent, boarding club	15 67	32 70	
Unclassified	57 23	4 26	
Diplomas	12 50	7 50	
From C. Nagel, Treasurer	.....	170 00	
Total for 1910-1911	$3,428 17		$3,428 17
Total for 1911-1912		$3,248 81	3,248 81
Totals including balance			$6,860 61

B. DISBURSEMENTS.

	1910-1911	1911-1912	
Prof. A. P. Meyer, salary	$1,300 00	$1,200 00	
Prof. W. Hohberger, salary	916 63	1,083 37	
Prof. A. P. Meyer, moving expenses	347 45	.....	
Olympia Loan Assn., Kenter Fund	129 56	.....	
Papering & painting 20 rooms in Dorm.	165 00	.....	
Plumbing	32 30	6 70	
Kalsomining halls	21 00	.....	
Repairs, floor oil and lumber	98 33	50 00	
Boarding club	18 00	.....	
Unclassified	48 40	46 19	
Traveling expenses, Sem. Board	46 10	37 70	
Fuel, water and light	108 19	123 75	
Furniture and freight	44 65	70 57	
Advertising	49 77	51 90	
Janitor and janitor's supplies	65 55	68 50	
Library	63 36	80 92	
Dredger Co. for filling in lots	.....	513 01	
Total for 1910-1911	$3,454 29	———	$3,454 29
Total for 1911-1912		$3,332 61	3,332 61
Total for 2 years			$6,786 90

C. RECAPITULATION.

Receipts	$6,860 61
Disbursements	6,786 90
Balance in treasury July 6, 1912	$73 71

WM. HOHBERGER, *Treas.*

Hebron Academy, Hebron, Neb.

From May 1, 1911, to July 1, 1912.

RECEIPTS.

Tuition and room rent	$629 50
Instruction in music	426 41
General Treasury	3,150 00
Special German classes	103 40
Unclassified	83 59
Total	$4,392 90

DISBURSEMENTS.

On salaries	$2,820 00
Water and light	119 65
Telephone	15 15
Coal	177 95
Janitor service and other labor	72 75
Refunded to District Treasury (Wm. Damm, Treas.)	486 91
Miscellaneous	474 74
Total	$4,167 15

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts	$4,392 90
Disbursements	4,167 15
Balance, June 30, 1912	$225 75

M. PAYSEN, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct,

F. POHLMANN,
WM. DAMM.

St. Paul's Seminary, Hickory, N. C.

From July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1912.

RECEIPTS.

1910.			
July 1.	To Balance	$169 08	
	To Cash, F. J. Heer	823 33	
	To cash, Rent	60 00	
			$1,052 41

DISBURSEMENTS.

	By Cash, Prof. W. L. Spielman	$125 00	
	By Cash, Prof. J. E. Barb	266 65	
	By Cash, Insurance	66 00	
1912.	By Cash, Repairs and Sundries	77 39	
June 30.	By Balance	517 37	
			$1,052 41

LIABILITIES.

Prof. W. L. Spielman, note and interest, $135.70.

S. M. HAMRICK, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct,

R. M. BUMGARNER,
N. S. DASHER,
Committee.

Wernle Orphans' Home, Richmond, Ind.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Current Expense Account.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury July 1, 1910	$151 96
Received from General Treasurer	11,805 23
Received from General Treasurer, Extra Allowances	1,155 00
Received from Interest on Endowment Fund	1,607 52
Received for Support of Children	591 75
Borrowed from Endowment Fund	820 22
Bequests	97 62
Received from Donations	130 00
Received Balance of New Building Fund from Treasurer Schultz.	188 33
Received for Wages for a Child	8 00
Received for Coal	7 50
Borrowed from Bank	500 00
Total	$17,063 13

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. J. Schultz, Treasurer	$15,788 97	
Refunded to Endowment Fund	1,045 00	
		$16,833 97
In Treasury		$229 16

NEW BUILDING FUND.

In Treasury July 1, 1910		$638 38
Paid for Extension of Heating Plant	$482 40	
Paid toward purchase of Horse	155 98	
		$638 38

ENDOWMENT FUND, RECEIPTS.

As per Minutes, July 1, 1910	$17,544 20
Received Additional	200 00
Total	$17,744 20

J. BECK, *Financial Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RUNNING EXPENSES OF THE WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME, RICHMOND, IND.

Balance in Treasury July 1, 1910	$59 66
Cash received from Rev. Beck from July 1, 1910, to July 1, 1912.	15,788 75
Total Amount	$15,848 41
Cash paid in orders from July 1, 1910, to July 1, 1912	15,786 82
Balance in treasury July 1, 1912	$61 59

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$4,381 66
Groceries	1,983 22
Bread	1,292 17
Meats	745 10
Coal	1,328 99
Shoes	597 47
Dry Goods and Clothing	633 98
Feed, Seeds and Potatoes	594 46
New Wagon and Repairs and Implements	237 40
New Harness and Repairs and Trunks	84 45
Electric Light	231 99
Hardware and Tinware	216 31
Books and Stationery	114 70
City Water	325 58
Telephone	90 25
Ditching	158 60
Fetta Water Softener	338 25
Painting Farm and Teacher's House and Repairs	427 40
New Well Teacher's House	56 00
Taxes and Insurance	127 84
Expense for New Teacher	67 00
New Horse	225 00
Painting Walls of New House	81 00
Tiling and Ditching Swamp	520 00
Unclassified	928 00
	$15,786 82
Balance in Treasury New Building Fund July, 1910	$188 33
Refunded to Rev. Beck	188 33

Yours respectfully,

JOHN J. SCHULTZ, *Treas.*

St. John's Lutheran Home, Mars, Pa.

From July 12, 1910, to July 12, 1912.

I. Home for the Aged.

Receipts.

Balance as per report of July 12, 1910	$8,756 45	
Money deposited with us by inmates	1,259 91	
From the General Treasury	6,000 00	
Entrance fees	2,541 00	
Boarding	225 00	
Donations	192 00	
Interest	1,462 24	
Receipts at anniversary	481 36	
Bequests	1,797 52	
From Children's Home for household	2,000 00	
From Children's Home for investment	1,000 00	
		$25,715 48

Disbursements.

Withdrawn from deposits by inmates	$618 00
Traveling expenses	107 71
Sundries	347 76
Mary J. Drexel Home	900 00
Salaries	1,281 00
Improvements	4,124 07
Repairs	413 65
Telephone	48 90
Feed	462 60
Gas	1,032 07
Fertilizer	38 15
Labor	111 60
Funeral expenses	72 00
Entrance fees returned	444 00
Drugs	3 00
Expressage	20 06
Water rent	39 08
Expenses at anniversary	140 85
Furniture and fixtures	435 27
Medical service	38 40
Postage	13 04
Live stock	52 50
Household expenses	3,309 36
School supplies	37 58
Insurance	419 25

Coal	29 07	
Investments	7,075 00	
		$21,613 97
Balance on hand July 12, 1912		4,101 51
		$25,715 48

Assets.

Mortgages	$10,075 00
Bond	500 00
	$10,575 00

Liabilities.

Money of inmates on deposit, subject to withdrawal..... $2,918 05

II. Childrens' Home.

Receipts.

Balance on hand July 12, 1910	$2,081 00	
Donations	262 75	
Boarding	1,513 25	
Bequests	1,975 00	
Interest	79 83	
		$5,911 83

Disbursements.

To Home for the Aged for household expenses	$2,000 00	
Investments	2,975 00	
		$4,975 00
Balance on hand		$936 83

Assets.

Mortgages $2,975 00

Christian Zies, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct July 13, 1912.

Theodore Ahlers,
Wm. H. Schove.

Board of Aids.

Cash in Treasury July 16, 1910	$2,577 50
Receipts for two years, to June 14, 1912	10,774 85
Total	$13,352 35

Total expended	10,621 79
Balance in Treasury	$2,730 56

The following amounts were paid out during the past two years:

Rev. C. Buechler, Grand Island, Neb.	$300 00
Rev. H. Bock, West De Pere, Wis.	175 00
Teacher I. F. Bergener, Columbus, Ohio.	150 00
Rev. G. T. Cooperrider, Columbus, Ohio.	487 50
Mrs. S. Carter, Baltimore, Md.	162 50
Mrs. C. Deisz, Detroit, Mich.	50 00
Mrs. F. W. Damrow, Golden, Ill.	175 00
Rev. F. J. Duerr.	25 00
Mrs. A. H. C. Eich, Sulphur Springs, Ohio.	500 00
Mrs. A. Ebert, Pittsburg, Pa.	150 00
Mrs. A. Fiebke, Albany, N. Y.	387 50
Rev. A. Fiebelkorn, Los Angeles, Cal.	312 50
Rev. H. Fischer, Staples, Minn.	150 00
Mrs. H. Grewe, South Dakota.	125 00
Rev. A. F. G. Gebhard, Wausau, Wis.	262 50
Teacher C. L. Gaertner, Toledo, Ohio.	50 00
Mrs. Th. Huebner, Detroit, Mich.	150 00
Mrs. M. Humberger, Piqua, Ohio.	150 00
Mrs. E. Hunzicker, Cardington, Ohio.	240 00
Mrs. J. Hoerr, Baltimore, Md.	200 00
Rev. A. Horn, Weber, Wash.	100 00
Mrs. M. Horn, Weber, Wash.	100 00
Mrs. E. Heinzelmann, Detroit, Mich.	175 00
Mrs. L. F. Kibler, Baltimore, Md.	350 00
Mrs. M. Kuesel, Ephraim, Wis.	350 00
Mrs. H. Krueger, Allegheny, Pa.	137 50
Mrs. I. Linsemann, Galion, Ohio.	200 00
Mrs. F. W. A. Liefeld, Waverly, Iowa.	75 00
Mrs. C. Loewenstein, Holland, Ind.	175 00
Mrs. E. Luehring, Ixonia, Wis.	50 00
Mrs. A. R. Martens, Columbus, Ohio.	75 00
Mrs. R. Muench, Bridgewater, S. Dakota.	200 00
Mrs. I. H. Meyer, Pittsburg, Pa.	25 00
Old Folks' Home, Mars, Pa., for support of Mrs. Molthan...	175 00
Rev. W. Niebuhr, Grove City, Ohio.	100 00
Rev. I. Oelkers, Stones Corner, Can.	150 00
Rev. O. Priever, Grove City, Ohio.	100 00
Rev. P. A. Peter, Verona, Ohio.	200 00
Mrs. W. H. Price, Detroit, Mich.	350 00
Mrs. V. Phifer, Baltimore, Md.	62 50
Mrs. C. Radke, Richmond, Ind.	275 00
Rev. I. J. Rod, Denver, Colo.	50 00
Mrs. A. Reiner, Canal Winchester, Ohio.	100 00

Mrs. C. H. Rohe, Columbus, Ohio	100 00
Rev. W. Siebert, Brandywine, W. Va	200 00
Rev. G. Sutter, Oak Harbor, Ohio	300 00
Mrs. D. Spaengler, Sidney, Ohio	90 00
Mrs. M. E. Swinehart, Shepard, Ohio	131 25
Rev. E. Schalinske, St. Paul, Minn	175 00
Mrs. J. Stumpf, Ft. Wayne, Ind	175 00
Mrs. E. G. Tressel, Columbus, Ohio	187 50
Rev. F. J. Theimer, Bulverde, Texas	300 00
Mrs. H. Willert, Grove City, Ohio	200 00
Mrs. A. W. Wendt, St. Paul, Minn	175 00
Rev. F. Wendt, Reading, Ohio	50 00
Rev. S. J. Winkler, Saginaw, Mich	400 00
Mrs. A. Witte, North Tonawanda, N. Y	275 00

REMARKS.

1. To the above balance is reckoned an interest bearing fund of $2,100.00.

2. Several times of late the treasury was almost exhausted but upon my appeal in our church papers a sufficient amount of charitable offerings came in to enable the treasury to pay out during the coming month of July the amount of $550.25.

3. Each year applications to this treasury are on the increase, hence the treasury must be more liberally supported with our gifts of love and mercy. On account of the exhausted condition of the treasury, the Board was obliged to reduce the amounts appropriated in several instances, and would gladly have increased the amounts for others had the means been at hand.

4. In view of my contemplated vacation, have sent in this report a month earlier than usual.

C. H. ALTHOFF, *Treas.*

Home Missions.

RECEIPTS.

Balance July 1, 1910	$162 40
Contributions	75,166 74
From sale of books	21 44
Interest	822 36
Liquidation of mission debt additional	2,754 75
Mission team contributions	244 43
Mission team refunds	170 00
Legacy of Agatha Doellinger	100 00
Legacy of H. J. Hespenheide	2,000 00

Foreign miss. treas. part of expenses July 1, '10-'11..	156 77	
Negro mission treas., same.....	14 08	
Loan from reserve fund.....	384 26	
		$81,997 23

Expenses.

Salaries and expenses of missionaries.....	$71,532 51	
Expenses of mission board.....	5,308 97	
Various expenses	301 00	
Legacy of Agatha Doellinger transferred to investment fund	100 00	
Legacy of H. J. Hespenheide transferred likewise..	2,000 00	
Reserve funds derived from debt liquidation, transferred	2,754 75	
		$81,997 23

Salaries and Expenses of Missionaries.

Student Achtenberg	$524 60	Rev. Eberbach	483 28
Rev. E. Ahl.....	175 00	Rev. A. P. Ebert.....	516 62
Rev. Almendinger	401 55	Student E. P. Ebert....	337 39
Rev. F. G. Alpers.....	21 87	Rev. J. Ebert.....	807 02
Rev. Arnsdorf	773 33	Rev. O. P. Ebert.....	99 96
Rev. Asall	299 93	Student P. F. Ebert....	57 10
Rev. C. W. Bachman...	155 60	Student W. W. Ebert..	1 20
Rev. Bartels	844 92	Rev. J. Ehmke.....	88 45
Rev. Becker	160 00	Rev. C. H. Eisenbach...	402 44
Rev. Beer	582 22	Dr. H. Ernst for students	450 00
Rev. A. F. W. Benzin..	250 00	Rev. H. Flathmann.....	499 97
Rev. W. F. Benzin.....	160 52	Rev. Felger	74 97
Rev. Besel	485 67	Rev. Fendler	99 99
Rev. Berthold	23 00	Rev. Frueh	5 40
Rev. E. Boerger.....	177 09	Student L. Gast.....	12 20
Rev. L. Brandt.....	910 38	Rev. G. Gehrke.....	2,118 37
Rev. Brunotte	244 55	Rev. Gerbich	818 23
Rev. Buechler	270 79	Rev. E. H. Gerfen.....	399 96
Rev. L. O. Burry.....	104 13	Student Gevers	120 00
Rev. G. W. Busch.....	300 00	Rev. E. A. Giesel.....	379 12
Rev. W. L. Busch.....	699 92	Rev. Graebener	295 81
Rev. Busse	491 61	Rev. Grant	1,453 61
Rev. E. Butz.....	432 65	Rev. Griffith	162 45
Rev. Christiansen	781 73	Rev. W. A. F. Grimm..	22 66
Rev. Cornils	571 37	Rev. Grombach	422 50
Rev. Doyen	381 33	Rev. Grueber	166 65
Rev. H. Drews, Duluth and Swift Current....	969 67	Rev. Hartlage	199 92
Rev. W. Duerkop.....	100 00	Rev. Heidmann	383 10

Rev. Hetde	370 69	Prof. A. Meyer for students	20 50
Student Holz	71 00	Rev. Henry Meyer	287 45
Rev. Holzhausen	220 96	Rev. Hermann Meyer	200 00
Student Honebein	238 25	Rev. Amos Minneman	157 60
Rev. Honn	1,599 95	Rev. Oberhammer	766 59
Rev. Hopf	234 72	Rev. Oelkers	570 77
Rev. Huetmeyer	69 00	Rev. Pagels	828 43
Rev. Hunt	199 92	Rev. Peffly	1,400 00
Rev. Judt	200 00	Rev. P. F. Petersen	200 00
Rev. Just	825 00	Rev. Th. Petersen	530 47
Rev. Kahre	499 93	Rev. J. P. Pflueger	824 92
Rev. Keller	689 92	Rev. Poovey	173 72
Student Kettner	471 30	Rev. Prange	359 92
Rev. Kilian	699 93	Rev. O. C. Propst	229 09
F. W. Klein	585 00	Rev. Rasmussen	284 12
Rev. Kleinlein	300 00	Student Carl Reitter	40 00
Rev. Knoblauch	39 57	Rev. Richards	30 00
Rev. Knoll	183 30	Rev. Rick	229 95
Rev. A. Kohlhoff	12 50	Rev. W. L. Ridenour	628 29
Rev. P. H. Kohlmeier	405 50	Rev. Rod	348 87
Rev. P. H. Kohlmeier, for teacher	424 95	Rev. Roehle	257 10
Rev. E. G. Koosmann	175 00	Rev. Roehrs	196 75
Rev. P. H. Koosmann	584 42	Rev. Rueter	475 79
Rev. Kosche	569 00	Rev. Rush	451 65
Rev. Kralik	8 30	Rev. Salzmann	649 97
Rev. J. Kroeger for self and teacher	519 98	Rev. Salzwedel	379 15
Rev. E. G. Kuhlmann	612 44	Rev. Sandermann	722 48
Rev. A. Langendorff	529 06	Rev. Schalinske for student	55 00
Rev. Lassen	684 40	Rev. Scheffler	791 60
Rev. E. Lehmann	548 65	Rev. B. F. Schillinger	512 44
Rev. F. Lehmann	121 72	Rev. P. D. Schillinger	60 00
Rev. Leinweber	172 49	Rev. Schimpfky	899 92
Student G. Lenski	3 00	Rev. Schink	874 93
Rev. Lenz	423 30	Rev. Schipmann	53 33
Rev. Lindoerfer	508 26	Rev. J. Schmidt	460 28
Rev. F. Loeb	1,750 77	Student O. Schmidt	300 00
Rev. Loeseke	961 97	Rev. P. A. Schmidt	744 64
Rev. Loewenstein	727 60	Rev. Schmok	897 00
Rev. R. H. Long	25 00	Rev. O. G. Schoenlein	58 31
Student S. C. Long	125 00	Rev. J. Schroeder	220 80
Rev. Lose	564 92	Rev. Seeger	25 00
Rev. Matthiae	300 00	Rev. Sibberson	380 00
Rev. Mau	554 96	Rev. H. E. Simon	30 00
Rev. Meineke	564 92	Rev. Sievers	564 10
Rev. H. G. Meske	97 47	Rev. Sixt	103 28

Rev. Spieler	183 32	Rev. Westenbarger	400 79
Rev. Spohr	618 80	Rev. Wiebe	28 87
Rev. Steinmeyer, for teacher	182 49	Rev. Willing	1,053 28
Student Steuer	627 77	Rev. Wilt	390 00
Rev. Striepe	467 91	Rev. Winterfeld	307 90
Rev. A. L. Swinehart	500 21	Rev. H. Wittrock, jr	16 66
Rev. Theimer	99 96	Rev. Wolfe	22 82
Rev. O. Tressel	939 52	Rev. Zaetschky	1,058 81
Rev. Uber	1,719 52	Rev. Zentner	262 47
Rev. A. M. Wagner	1,166 63	Rev. Zimmermann	632 23
Rev. Waltner	183 29	Traveling and moving expenses	1,805 98
Rev. O. Wendel	383 30		
Rev. Werhahn, substitute for Rev. Kosche.	60 00	Total	$71,532 51

2) Expenses of the Mission Board.

Lutheran Book Concern liturgies, etc	$1,313 44	
F. J. Heer Printing Co	78 25	
Paul F. Hein, salary as executive	1,999 92	
Paul F. Hein, salary as treasurer	199 92	
Paul F. Hein, rent	600 00	
Paul F. Hein, traveling expenses	544 13	
Postage	104 05	
Telegrams	12 86	
Telephone Company	1 97	
Stationery	17 88	
Box rent	10 00	
Rev. Golladay, expenses	53 60	
Rev. Walter, expenses	27 90	
Rev. Troutman, expenses	94 40	
Rev. Ebert, expenses	72 20	
Rev. Stellhorn, expenses	178 45	
		$5,308 97

3) Various Expenses.

Interest	62 50	
Mission team	238 50	
		$301 00

Investment Fund.

Credit.

Wachendorf Fund	$50 00
Kamper Fund	3,122 66
Wolf Fund	190 00
N. N., Woodville, O.	400 00

Douglas Fund	882 18	
Rudolf Fund	1,900 00	
Ida Raether Fund	200 00	
Reserve Fund of mission treasury from debt liquidation	2,754 75	
Cath. Landwehr Fund	225 00	
Agatha Doellinger Fund	100 00	
H. J. Hespenheide Fund	2,000 00	
Interest due the mission treasury	4 00	
		$11,828 59

Debit.

Institution Treasury	$3,172 66	
Grace congregation, Chicago, Ill	$6,424 00	
Church building fund	968 53	
Mission treasury	384 26	
Cash balance	879 14	
		$11,828 59

FOR THE FAMINE SUFFERERS IN RUSSIA.

Receipts.

Contributions	$594 11

Expenses.

Sent to Rev. E. Seib, Warenburg, Russia	$594 11

Remarks.

$384.26 were used of the reserve fund and $621.13 (of which the foreign and negro mission treasurers will bear their portions) are due the Lutheran Book Concern. This obligation of about $900 is fully covered by monies advanced to missionaries as salaries and loans

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Church Building Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

July 1, 1910 to July 1, 1912.

CASH ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

Cash balance July 1, 1910	$2,288 70
Contributions	11,732 55
Refunds	11,547 36
Interest	163 60

Loans from individuals	600 00	
Loan from investment fund	968 53	
		$27,300 74

Expenses.

New loans		$26,936 23
Current expenses of fund—		
Salary of treasurer	$199 93	
Various expenses	164 58	
	$364 51	
		$27,300 74

SECURITIES ACCOUNT.

Debit.

Published July 1, 1910	$61,694 92	
Added to loans	26,936 23	
		$88,631 15

Credit.

Refunds	$11,547 36	
Pontiac, Mich. loss	17 00	
Columbus, Ohio, St. Matthew's cong. loss	200 00	
Securities July 1, 1912	76,866 79	
		$88,631 15

STANDING OF FUND JULY 1, 1912.

Credit.

Securities	$76,866 79

Debit.

Loans from individuals	$600 00	
Loan from investment fund	968 53	
		$1,568 53
Amount in fund July 1, 1912		$75,298 26
Amount in fund July 1, 1910		63,983 62
Net increase July 1, 1910 to July 1, 1912		$11,314 64

REFUNDS, JULY 1, '10—JULY 1, '12

Alpena, Mich.	$75 00	Brush, Col.	25 00
Aurora, Ore.	100 00	Canton, O., Zion's cong.	100 00
Baltimore, Md., A. A. Co.	120 00	Clare Co. Mich.	65 00
Brookfield, Minn.	75 00	Cleveland, O., Friedens Cong.	82 73

Colfax, Wash.	150 00	Melville, Can.	400 00
Columbus, O., St. Luke's Cong.	300 00	Mercer, N. D., Zion's	60 00
Columbus, O., St. Matthew's Cong.	1,300 00	Odessa, Wash.	285 00
Columbus O., St. Peter's Cong.	1,285 40	Olympia, Wash.	300 00
Dayton, O. St. Mark's.	450 00	Peninsular, Ore.	50 00
Denver, Colo.	200 00	Regina, Can.	300 00
Dickinson, N. D.	80 00	Rhein, Can.	400 00
Floresville, Tex.	308 10	Spokane, Wash., 1st English	500 00
Franklin, Ohio	500 00	Spokane Wash., St. Mark's	100 00
Georgetown, Wash.	300 00	Tacoma, Wash.	160 00
Indianapolis, Ind.	109 93	Tilleda, Wis.	200 00
Kalama, Wash.	71 75	Titonka, Iowa	200 00
Kansas City, Mo.	500 00	Toledo, O., Peace	400 00
Knoxville, Tenn.	290 00	Tonawanda, N. Y.	1,000 00
Lang, Can.	209 45	Washington D. C.	25 00
Longmont, Colo.	125 00	Whitemouth, Can.	170 00
Madison, Wis.	225 00	Total	$11,547 36

SECURITIES.

The following congregations have loans from the fund.

Alpena, Mich.	$60 89	Hancock, Minn.	500 00
Aurora, Ore.	800 00	Indianapolis, Ind.	2,870 07
Baltimore, Md., Faith.	1,650 00	Kalama, Wash.	123 25
Baltimore, Md., Christ.	2,500 00	Kansas City, Mo.	1,800 00
Baltimore, Md., A. A. Co.	120 00	Kaukauna, Wis.	1,108 13
Brandon, Man.	750 00	Lancaster, O.	1,200 00
Brush, Colo.	475 00	Lang, Can.	290 55
Calgary, Can.	2,320 73	Lanigan, Can.	400 00
Canton, O., Zion's	50 00	Leduc, Can.	600 00
Castle Rock, Wash.	200 00	Lethbridge, Can.	1,375 35
Castle Shannon, Pa.	1,500 00	Longmont, Colo.	375 00
Chicago, Ill.	1,850 00	Loveland, Colo.	640 00
Cincinnati, O.	5,000 00	McLean Co., N. D.	200 00
Cleveland, O., Hope	3,000 00	Macksburg, Ore.	300 00
Colfax, Wash.	50 00	Madison, Wis.	550 00
Detroit, Mich., Bethlehem.	1,000 00	Martins Ferry, O.	500 00
Floresville, Tex.	100 00	Max, N. D.	500 00
Garrison, N. D.	400 00	Melville, Can.	100 00
Georgetown, Wash.	250 00	Mercedes, Tex.	600 00
Greenville, O.	1,000 00	Mercer, N. D., Emanuel's	300 00
Clare County, Mich.	185 00	Mercer, N. D., Zion's	180 00
		Moose Jaw, Can.	1,250 00
		Morse, Can.	600 00

New Orleans, La., St. Luke's	2,000 00	Strassburg, Can.	800 00
Oregon City, Ore.	700 00	Swift, Ala.	300 00
Oshkosh, Wis., English.	1,700 00	Tacoma, Wash.	1,840 00
Peninsular, Ore.	908 27	Tilleda, Wis.	400 00
Regina, Can.	200 00	Turtle Lake, Wis.	350 00
Rhein, Can.	100 00	Vancouver, B. C.	3,500 00
Rising Sun, Del.	500 00	Washington, D. C.	925 00
Saginaw, Mich., English.	1,630 00	Wheatland, Wyo.	873 00
San Antonio, Tex.	2,820 00	Whitemouth, Can.	330 00
Scranton, N. D.	200 00	Winlock, Wash.	100 00
Shenandoah Co., Va.	16 90	Winnipeg, Can., Christ.	1,750 00
Spokane, Wash., First English	4,500 00	Winnipeg, Can., Cross.	2,000 00
Spokane, Wash., St. Mark's	800 00	Winnipeg, Can., Redeemer	2000 00
Spokane, Wash., Hillyard	1,200 00	Winnipeg, Can., St. Paul's	2,300 00
Stoddard, Neb.	300 00	Winthrop, Minn.	500 00
		Zanesville, O.	1,500 00
		Total	$76,866 79

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that we have audited the home mission treasury, the church building fund, the investment fund and the contributions for sufferers in Russia, and have examined all securities belonging to these funds, together with the above accounts of the executive and found them correct.

M. R. Walter,
R. E. Golladay,
E. F. Wm. Stellhorn,
D. P. Ebert.
Auditing Committee.

Columbus, Ohio, July 9-10th, 1912.

Colored Missions.

June 9, 1910.—To Balance	$8 04	
From Pastors, Teachers, and others	821 78	
From Mr. Fred Heer	1,058 84	
Loan	700 00	
From rent of parsonage	132 00	
		$2,720 66
To Rev. Phifer	$497 50	
To Rev. Richards	907 22	
Ground rent, church and parsonage	210 00	

Repairs on parsonage	42 27	
To Virginia Carter, teacher of school	168 00	
To supply for pulpit. (St. Philip's)	20 00	
Building and furnishing chapel in A. A. Co	667 20	
To Lutheran Book Concern	51 04	
Sundries	23 72	
Insurance	13 50	
		$2,600 45
To Balance, June 5, 1912		$120 21

JOHN GUNKEL, *Treas.*

Audited and found correct,

J. F. MUELLER,
O. C. MEES.

Foreign Missions.

From July 30, 1910 to July 22, 1912.

In hand, as reported in 1910	$2,444 83
Receipts, since then	17,441 37
Total	$19,886 20
Disbursements as per vouchers	$7,785 58
Deposit in Bank	11,900 62
Deposit in Bank	200 00
Total	$19,886 20

Audited and found correct,

H. E. SCHMIDT.
CHAS. HARTMANN.

STATEMENT FOR ASSETS.

1.	In Bank, Wheeling Title & Trust Co	$11,900 62
2.	Certificate of Deposit in National Exchange Bank	3,186 19
3.	Certificate of Deposit in German Bank	216 32
	Total	$15,303 13

A. W. WERDER.
(Trans. by C. H. L. S.)

Annual Report of the Lutheran Book Concern For the Year Ending May 31, 1911.

I. Statement of Ledger at Close of Year.

Dr.

Accounts Receivable		$18,447 58	
General Expense		1,438 66	
Post Office Deposit		18 25	
Cash		396 07	
Labor		3,962 90	
Telephone		40 00	
Electricity		67 55	
Freight		289 85	
Drayage		133 00	
Expressage		2,831 59	
Postage		1,375 91	
Water, (Deposit $10.00)		53 20	
Building Expenses		77 43	
Plates		2,492 29	
Taxes		1,786 41	
Real Estate		80,837 83	
Notes Receivable		9,653 32	
Furniture and Fixtures		3,423 89	
Discount		7,238 76	
Insurance		634 00	
Coal		195 23	
Theol. Magazine		60 19	
Certificate of Deposit, (O. N. B.)		5,000 00	
Ohio National Bank		4,473 01	
Theol. Zeitblaetter		14 91	
Zeitblaetter-Magazine		23 74	
Primary Lesson Paper		162 67	
Institution Treasury		4,500 00	
Collection Agency		58 14	
Profit and Loss — Account	$451 23		
Rent	1,055 00		
		1,506 23	
			$151,192 61

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Accounts Payable	$38 13
Merchandise	9,275 42
Rent	6,604 90
Interest	150 61
Capital	124,102 48
German Professorship	6,567 44

Kirchenzeitung	2,331 59	
Standard	1,080 13	
Kinderfreude	225 33	
Child's Paper	578 64	
Little Missionary	211 90	
Lesson Leaves	56 04	
		$151,192 61

II. Statement of Profit and Loss, Year Ending May 31, 1911.

Gains

Merchandise Sold	$63,925 70		
Merchandise Bought	34,349 76		
		$29,575 94	
Inventory, May 31, 1911	$22,893 03		
Inventory, May 30, 1910	20,300 52		
		2,592 51	
			$32,168 45
Rent received			6,604 90
Interest			150 61
Kirchenzeitung—			
Cash received	$8,804 73		
Expenses	6,473 14		
			2,331 59
Standard—			
Cash received	$6,333 60		
Expenses	5,253 47		
			1,080 13
Kinderfreude—			
Cash received	$1,101 86		
Expenses	876 53		
			225 33
Child's Paper—			
Cash received	$1,346 68		
Expenses	768 04		
			578 64
Little Missionary—			
Cash received	$1,010 19		
Expenses	798 29		
			211 90
Lesson Leaves—			
Cash received	691 91		
Expenses	635 87		
			56 04
			$43,407 59

Losses.

Labor	$6,901 00	
Less to Periodicals	2,938 10	
		$3,962 90
Telephone		40 00
Electricity		67 55
General Expense		1,496 80
Freight		289 85
Drayage		138 00
Expressage		2,831 59
Postage		1,375 91
Water	$53 20	
Deposit	10 00	
		43 20
Building Expense		77 43
Plates—		
Inventory, May 31, 1910...	$2,301 34	
Bought during Year.....	190 95	
	$2,492 29	
Inventory, May 31, 1911.....	2,329 54	
		162 75
Taxes—		
Real Estate	$1,177 09	
Personal	609 32	
		1,786 41
Furniture and Fixtures—		
Inventory, May 31, 1910...	$3,203 79	
Bought during Year.....	220 10	
	$3,423 89	
Inventory, May 31, 1911.....	3,110 63	
		313 26
Discount—		
Given	$7,875 98	
Taken	637 22	
		7,238 76
Insurance		634 00
Coal		195 23
Theol. Zeitblaetter—		
Expenses	$218 37	
Cash received	203 46	
		14 91
Zeitblaetter-Magazine—		
Expenses	$406 15	
Cash received	382 41	
		23 74

Theol. Magazine—			
Expenses	$240 58		
Cash received	180 39		
			60 19
Primary Lesson Paper—			
Expenses.	$863 72		
Cash received	701 05		
			162 67
Accounts to Profit and Loss			1,506 23
			$22,416 38
Gain			$20,991 21*

III. Statement of Ledger Beginning of Year June 1, 1911.

Assets.

Accounts Receivable	$18,447 58	
Deposit at Post Office	18 25	
Cash	396 07	
Merchandise Inventory	22,893 03	
Water Deposit	10 00	
Plates Inventory	2,329 54	
Real Estate	80,837 83	
Notes Receivable	9,653 32	
Furniture and Fixtures Inventory	3,110 63	
Ohio National Bank	9,473 01	
		$147,169 26

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	$38 13	
Capital	$124,102 48	
Plus Gain	16,491 21	
	$140,593 69	
German Professorship	6,537 44	
		$147,169 26

Ten per cent of net gain for the year 1910, amounting to $16,491.21 has been set aside for German Professorship at Capital University, making Liabilities in above report stand as follows:

Liabilities.

Accounts Payable	$38 13	
Capital as reported above	$140,593 69	
Less to German Professorship	1,649,12	
	$138,944 57	

*$4,500.00 of this gain was paid into the Institution Treasury, and the balance, $16,491.21, added to 'Capital".

German Professorship as above.....	$6,537 44	
Plus 10 per cent of $16,491.21....	1,649 12	
		8,186 56
		$147,169 26

Audited and found correct.

GEO. K. LEONARD,
S. A. SINGER,
L. LOY.
Auditing Committee.

For the convenience of members of Synod, a simpler form of the regular statement is here appended.

ASSETS.

What the Concern Owns.

Accounts Receivable	$18,447 58	
Merchandise	22,893 03	
Cash	396 07	
Water Deposit	10 00	
Plates	2,329 54	
Furniture and Fixtures	3,110 63	
Real Estate	80,837 83	
Notes Receivable	9,653 32	
Ohio National Bank	9,473 01	
Post Office Deposit	18 25	
		$147,169 26

LIABILITIES.

What the Concern Owes to Others.

Accounts Payable	$38 13	
German Professorship	8,186 56	
		8,224 69
Balance		$138,944 57

This balance is the "Capital," $138,944.57, in the regular financial report, and represents what the Concern owes to Synod after all the debts are paid.

The amount due the Concern for the various periodicals issued, does not appear in the report, because it cannot be ascertained what part thereof is collectable; if added, it would increase the assets by that amount. On June 1st, 1911, the periodicals had the following number of subscribers:

Kirchenzeitung, 7,655.
Standard, 5,537.
Kinderfreude, 6,117.
Child's Paper, 8,727.

Little Missionary, 7,119.
Zeitblaetter-Magazine, 375.
Primary Paper, 4,491.
Lesson Leaves, 7,405.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. DORNBIRER, *Mgr.*

Annual Report of the Lutheran Book Concern For the Year Ending May 31, 1912.

I. Statement of Ledger at Close of Year.

Dr.

Accounts Receivable	$19,818 99	
Lutheran Book Concern (Canadian Branch), Cash.	1,000 00	
Lutheran Book Concern (Canadian Branch), Mdse.	2,984 76	
General Expense	1,647 09	
Post Office Deposit	8 75	
Cash	347 62	
Real Estate	101,964 07	
Furniture and Fixtures	5,620 02	
Plates	2,473 45	
Ohio National Bank	1,500 31	
Certificate of Deposit O. N. B	4,000 00	
Labor	4,025 73	
Telephone	30 00	
Electricity	226 77	
Freight	394 12	
Drayage	97 10	
Expressage	2,532 68	
Postage	1,497 67	
Water (Deposit $10.00)	84 52	
Building Expenses	1,144 79	
Taxes	1,526 46	
Discount	6,926 17	
Insurance	722 61	
Coal	355 73	
Collection Agency	181 89	
Accounts to Profit and Loss*	771 48	
Accounts to Profit and Loss, Rent L. B. C.	1,217 50	
Standard	341 37	
Lesson Leaves	46 24	
Primary Paper	312 29	
Zeitblaetter-Magazine	338 60	
		$163,638 78

*$570.00 are old printing accounts dating back to the time when Synod owned a printing plant.

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Accounts Payable	$820 92	
Merchandise	6,149 84	
Rent	7,687 20	
Capital	138,944 57	
German Professorship	8,186 56	
Interest	154 99	
Cash Difference	20 47	
Kirchenzeitung	1,152 48	
Kinderfreude	49 80	
Child's Paper	304 86	
Little Missionary	113 59	
Zeitblaetter-Magazine	23 00	
Magazine, Theological	30 50	
		$163,638 78

II. Statement of Profit and Loss, Year Ending May 31, 1912.

Gains.

Merchandise Sold	$65,834 98		
Merchandise Bought	36,792 11		
		$29,042 87	
Inventory 5/31/12	$27,704 65		
Inventory 5/31/11	22,893 03		
		$4,811 62	
			$33,854 49
Rent Received			7,687 20
Interest			154 99
Cash Difference			20 47
Kirchenzeitung—			
Cash Received	$8,262 08		
Expenses	7,109 60		
			1,152 48
Kinderfreude—			
Cash Received	$788 40		
Expenses	738 60		
			49 80
Child's Paper—			
Cash Received	$1,101 73		
Expenses	796 87		
			304 86
Little Missionary—			
Cash Received	$879 20		
Expenses	765 61		
			113 59
Theological Zeitblaetter—			
Cash Received			23 00

Theological Magazine—			
Cash Received			30 50
Plates—			
Inventory May 31, 1912		$2,658 50	
Inventory May 31, 1911	$2,329 54		
Bought During Year	143 91		
		$2,473 45	
			185 05
			$43,576 43

Losses.

Labor		$8,009 51	
Less to Periodicals		3,983 78	
			$4,025 73
General Expense			1,647 09
Telephone			30 00
Electricity			226 77
Freight			394 12
Drayage			97 10
Expressage			2,532 68
Postage			1,497 67
Water	$84 52		
Deposit	10 00		
			74 52
Building Expense			1,144 79
Taxes—			
Real Estate	$992 55		
Personal	533 91		
			1,526 46
Discount—			
Given	$7,598 83		
Taken	672 66		
			6,926 17
Insurance			722 61
Coal			355 73
Collection Agency			181 89
Accounts to Profit and Loss Accounts		$771 48	
L. B. C. Rent		1,217 50	
			1,988 98
Standard—			
Expenses	$6,008 47		
Cash Received	5,667 10		
			341 37
Lesson Leaves—			
Expenses	$626 98		
Cash Received	580 74		
			46 24

Primary Paper—				
Expenses	$856 55			
Cash Received	544 26			
			312 29	
Zeitblaetter-Magazine—				
Expenses	$718 43			
Cash Received	379 83			
			338 60	
Furniture and Fixtures—				
Inventory May 31, 1911..	$3,110 63			
Bought during year..	2,707 61			
		$5,818 24		
Less sold		198 22		
		$5,620 02		
Inventory May 31, 1912		$5,350 85		
			$269 17	
				$24,679 98
Gain				$18,896 45

III. Statement of Ledger, Beginning June 1, 1912.

Assets.

Accounts Receivable	$19,318 99	
Lutheran Book Concern (Canada Branch), Cash.	1,000 00	
Lutheran Book Concern (Canada Branch), Mdse.	2,984 76	
Post Office Deposit	8 75	
Cash	347 62	
Real Estate	101,964 07	
Furniture and Fixture Inventory	5,350 85	
Plates Inventory	2,658 50	
Ohio National Bank	5,500 31	
Water Deposit	10 00	
Merchandise Inventory	27,704 65	
		$166,848 50

Liabilities.

Accounts Payable		820 92	
Capital	$138,944 57		
Plus Gain	18,896 45		
		157,841 02	
German Professorship		8,186 56	
			$166,848 50

Ten per cent. of gains for the year 1912, amounting to $18,896.45, has been set aside for German Professorship at Capital University, making Liabilities in above report stand as follows:

Liabilities.

Accounts Payable		$820 92
Capital as above	$157,841 02	
Less German Professorship	1,889 64	
		155,951 38
German Professorship	$8,186 56	
Plus 10% of $18,896.45	1,889 64	
		10,076 20
		$166,848 50

Admitted and found correct,

GEO. K. LEONARD,
S. A. SINGER,
L. LOY,
Auditing Committee.

For the convenience of members of Synod a simpler form of the regular statement is here appended.

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES MAY 31, 1912

I. Resources or what the Concern owns—			
Active—			
Accounts receivable		$19,318 99	
Lutheran Book Concern (Canada)—			
Cash	$1,000 00		
Merchandise	2,984 76		
		3,984 76	
Deposit at post office		8 75	
Cash in safe at office		347 62	
Certificate of deposit, O. N. B.		4,000 00	
Checking balance, Ohio National Bank		1,500 31	
			$29,160 43
Inventories—			
Inventory on books and merchandise			$27,704 65
Fixed—			
Real estate		$101,964 07	
Furniture and fixtures		5,350 85	
Plates		2,650 50	
Water deposit		10 00	
			$109,983 42
			$166,848 50
II. Liabilities or what the Concern owes—			
Current accounts payable		$820 92	

Reserve —		
German Professorship	10,076 20	
		10,897 12
Balance		$155,951 38

This balance is the "Capital," $155,951.38, in the regular financial report, and represents what the Concern owes to Synod after all debts are paid.

On June 1, 1912, the periodicals had the following number of subscribers:

Kirchenzeitung, 7,662.
Standard, 5,431.
Kinderfreude, 6,050.
Child's Paper, 9,094.
Little Missionary, 7,906.
Zeitblätter-Magazine, 342.
Primary Paper, 4,725.
Lesson Leaves, 7,194.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. Dornbirer, *Mgr.*

Report of Board of Administration.

A. Funds and assets in hand, and real estate administered.

1. J. A. Schulze legacy, property in Columbus and Detroit, valued at $16,000.00, for the benefit of our Institution Treasury.

Received by rents, 1910-1912		$1,132 90
Expended, per annuity to Mrs. S., to Institution Treasury, taxes, etc		1,168 08
Deficit		$35 18

2. Austin Cooperrider Legacy, Church Building Board.

Total receipts to date		$32,891 46
Expenditures to Church Building Board, settlement of estate, etc	$10,488 69	
Invested	22,200 00	
Cash on hand	202 77	
		$32,891 46

Also still hold notes from estate amounting to about $550.00 with interest due.

3. U. F. Annuity, total receipts | $922 50
Total paid out | 900 00
Cash on hand | $22 50

4. Mission in Persia:
   a. Louise Reichert fund, invested..... $300 00
   Receipts 97 50
   $397 50
   Expended 40 00
   Balance on hand..... $357 50
   b. Christ Church Fund:
   Invested $1,000 00
   Receipts 82 75
   Total on hand..... $1,082 75
5. C. Volz Fund—for Institution Treasury:
   Invested $200 00
   Cash on hand..... 20 00
   Total on hand..... $220 00
6. For Woodville and Capital University:
   Barbara Emmelhainz Fund:
   Invested $500 00
   Received and paid on same..... 100 00
7. Foreign Mission, Mrs. Sophia Langenhop, legacy..... $951 05
8. G. D. Simen estate, in hand executor's note, payable in five years and bearing 4% interest.
   Interest on same to be distributed as follows:
   a. To Professorship Theol. Seminary Columbus..on $20,000 00
   b. To Mission Work in and about Pittsburg.....on 10,000 00
   c. To Board of Aids Treasury.....on 5,000 00
   d. Indigent Students of Theology.....on 5,000 00
   e. Negro Mission Work .....on 5,000 00
   f. Luther Seminary, St. Paul.....on 10,000 00
   g. To Home Mission Treasury.....on 5,000 00
   Total $60,000 00

B. In conclusion the question: Would it not be advisable a. to add as members to this Board the treasurers respectively of our Seminary and College at Columbus, and of our Mission and Church Building Board; and then b. entrust to the management of the Board so constituted all realty and interest bearing funds of Synod, bequeathed to us for benevolent purposes?

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. L. Schuette,
Chairman and Treasurer of the Board.

We have audited foregoing report and found the same correct.

A. Dornbirer,
C. C. Hein.

GENERAL INSTITUTION TREASURY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 18, 1912.

Dear Brethren:—

Herewith is submitted the biennial statement of the General Institution Treasurer for the term ending June 30, 1912.

The receipts of this Treasury have increased over the previous term, but owing to the demands made by the Institutions, the expenses are somewhat higher than the income. This was partly due to increases in salaries and additional running expenses of the older institutions and the event of the new school at Hebron. Our people have done nobly in the past two years.

THE DEBT.

Through the Finance Committee appointed by Synod at its last session in Richmond, Ind., this Treasury has received the sum of $21,750.00 for liquidation of debt. $20,000.00 of this amount has been paid over to the Treasurer of the Seminary Board at Columbus to cancel part of the Baughman Fund which the General Treasury has borrowed. This leaves the debt at the present time $35,113.28. This does not include the money borrowed without interest by Treasurer Schramm. On this $800.00 have been paid.

We believe that by continuing the committee for another two years, the debt can be almost, if not entirely, wiped out.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I herewith express my sincere appreciation for the uniform courtesy and confidence shown me by the President and all the members of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. HEER, *Treas.*

Biennial Report of the General Treasury From July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1912.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand July 1, 1910		$188 55
Kirchenzeitung credits July, 1910, to June 29, 1912	$81,567 73	
Payment of Debt Fund	11 00	
Schulze Estate Income	400 00	
Scholarship Interest	19 00	

Book Concern	4,500 00	
Rev. W. S. Schramm, Liquidation of Debt Fund.	21,750 00	
		$108,247 73
Total Receipts		$108,433 28

DISBURSEMENTS.

Capital University	$19,600 00	
Orphans' Home	11,802 23	
St. Paul Seminary	16,984 48	
Woodville Normal School	9,000 00	
Old Folks' Home and Mars' Orphanage	6,000 00	
Pacific Seminary, Olympia, Wash	4,500 00	
Hebron Seminary, Hebron, Neb	3,150 00	
Hickory Seminary, Hickory, N. C	657 15	
Miscellaneous Expenses	812 59	
Scholarship Interest	504 00	
Interest on Funds	1,628 16	
Interest on Baughman Fund	3,325 00	
Dr. C. H. L. Schuette, traveling expenses	372 00	
Dr. C. H. L. Schuette, salary	3,750 00	
Interest on Annuity and other Notes	923 22	
Lutheran Book Concern, printing, money boxes, express and postage	4,047 50	
Horse and wagon, Orphans' Home	325 00	
Hospital expenses during typhoid fever epidemic	830 00	
Notes cancelled	20,800 00	
		$109,011 33

RECAPITULATION.

Amount disbursed	$109,011 33
Amount received	108,433 28
Advanced by Treasurer	$578 05

F. J. HEER, *Treas.*

Audited July 17, 1912.

GEO. K. LEONARD,
CARL ACKERMANN,
Committee.

NOTES OUTSTANDING AGAINST THE GENERAL INSTITUTION TREASURY.

Endowment Funds.

S. B. (Annuity)	$300 00
Kamper, (C. U.)	9,367 96
Kamper, (H. M.)	3,122 66

Kamper, (F. M.)	3,122 66	
Heffner, (C. U.)	1,000 00	
Wachendorf, (W. and O.)	300 00	
Wachendorf, (C. U.)	700 00	
Wachendorf, (H. M.)	50 00	
Pemberville Beneficiary, (C. U.)	500 00	
E. Schmid, (C. U.)	2,000 00	
L. V., (C. U.)	500 00	
C. B., (Annuity)	1,000 00	
N. N., (Annuity)	1,000 00	
C. V., (Annuity)	3,000 00	
		$25,963 28

Scholarships.

Steinmeyer	$800 00	
Koch	800 00	
Schwearer	800 00	
Scheid	800 00	
Baughman	800 00	
		$4,000 00

German Lutheran Seminary Fund.

Miller	$100 00	
Birch	100 00	
Fink, U.	200 00	
Baughman, G.	3,000 00	
		$3,400 00
Other notes		1,350 00
		$34,713 28

Orphans' Home.

Heffner Fund	$400 00
Debt July 1, 1912	$35,113 28

This amount does not include the amount borrowed by Rev. W. Schramm, Sinking Fund Treasurer.

Financial Report of the Pittsburgh Committee.

PITTSBURG, (N. S.) PA., July 12, 1912.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1910 collections	$304 84	
Contributions from congregations and individuals	22,031 90	
Interest	325 04	
		$22,661 78

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to F. J. Heer, Treas., liquidation of debt.....	$21,750 00	
Treasurer's bond	25 00	
Printing and postage.....	153 83	
Balance in bank.....	732 95	
		$22,661 78

This report does not include $2,687.28 in contributions and $1,400 in loans collected by W. E. Schramm and paid over to Mr. Heer, before the appointment of the Pittsburgh Committee.

W. E. SCHRAMM, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct, July 15, 1912.

H. H. TESSMER,
WALTER R. DEMMLER,
Auditing Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON LIQUIDATION OF THE INSTITUTION TREASURY DEBT.

To your committee was entrusted the task of raising the funds for the liquidation of the institution treasury debt amounting to about $60,000.00. Recognizing the fact that this task was as great as it is necessary, your committee, in the fear of God, undertook the work with the determination of doing our duty and leaving the result with Him in whose cause the work was undertaken.

Up to date we have raised something over $22,000.00 in addition to about $3,000.00 previously raised for the same purpose; so that probably one-half of the desired amount has been collected and turned over to the general treasurer, Mr. F. J. Heer, to be used for the lifting of obligations resting on the General Treasury.

There are various reasons why our efforts were not crowned with entire success. The raising of funds for the new building at St. Paul, so urgently needed, delayed the opening of our campaign for liquidation. Then after the task was begun many of our pastors and congregations, some of them prominent in the councils of Synod, failed to recognize the importance of the undertaking and gave the matter no, or very meager, support.

When we consider that in spite of these adverse circumstances, nearly one-half of the required amount was raised we have every reason to thank God who made the hearts and hands of his people willing to

give for the furtherance of His kingdom. We gratefully acknowledge the services of all who by word or pen helped the good cause along.

Now as to the portion of the indebtedness yet to be raised we recommend the following:

1. That all who have hitherto not responded in this cause be urged to do so in the near future.

2. That no further special efforts be made in this matter for the present.

3. That every effort be put forth so to increase the receipts of our general institution treasury that there may be a yearly surplus above the regular expenses with which the remaining indebtedness can gradually be lifted.

4. To this end we recommend that it be made possible for the general treasurer to give this matter more attention through our church papers, circular letters and at meetings of synod and conferences.

Respectfully submitted,

Your committee,

H. J. Schuh, *Chairman,*
Walter R. Demmler, *Sec.*
W. E. Schramm, *Treas.*
H. H. Tessmer,
Walter C. Wagener,
George E. Kelsch,
John Lachman.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE FOUR HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION IN THE YEAR 1917.

Your committee, appointed by the Honorable President of the Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States, to formulate plans for the celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation in the year 1917, submits the following recommendations to your Honorable Body:

I. That on the Sunday previous to the 31st of October in the year of our Lord 1917, special services be held and Holy Communion be celebrated in every parish throughout our Synod.

II. That on the same day a children's service be held in all our congregations, and that our Publication Board have an appropriate program prepared in the German and English languages.

III. That on the 31st of October mass meetings be held in all parts of our synod in central localities, in which a number of congregations unite to give utterance to their festal spirit in word and song.

IV. That in connection therewith, to the honor of God and for the promulgation of the Gospel, an appropriate thank-offering be raised in all congregations throughout synod.

a) For this purpose subscriptions are to be gathered previously in all our congregations, either by the pastor or committees.

b) These subscriptions are to be paid by means of envelopes or the committees who have gathered the money previous to the 31st of October, 1917, in order that the totals may be announced at the special mass meetings.

c) Our aim should be to reach the sum of $250,000.00.

d) The thank offering should flow into the building fund and shall be used for the purpose of making loans without interest to congregations to aid them in the erection of churches and school-houses.

V. That our synod publish a popular history of the Lutheran Church before the celebration of the above-named anniversary.

a) That a special committee be appointed at this synodical meeting to take charge of the publication of this history.

b) This work to be published in the German and English languages.

c) The surplus of sales to flow into the treasury of the Board of Aids.

d) The price not to exceed one dollar.

Respectfully submitted,

Your committee,

A. G. BERGENER,
J. C. KOEPPLIN,
E. C. BILLING.

COMMUNICATIONS.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

The Western District answers the questions submitted by Joint Synod thus:

1. For the present Synod should confine itself to two theological seminaries, one practical and one theoretical.

2. Under existing circumstances the Proseminary should remain at St. Paul, and the College and Seminary at Columbus should be locally separated.

3. The Synod should declare itself for the introduction of coeducation, as soon as College and Seminary are separated.

4. Joint Synod should make its own the proposition of the Board of Foreign Missions, and adjust all details. In this connection it is recommended that the advisability of sending a commission to India in order to investigate conditions on the ground be considered by Joint Synod. See pages 49 and 50, English Minutes for 1911.

The District recommends to Joint Synod:

1. That it direct the General President to submit officially to the several districts all matters referred to them by Joint Synod. See page 40, Minutes for 1911.

2. That it reduce the number of meetings of the boards of the various institutions to one per year, if this is not in conflict with the charters involved. See page 40, Minutes of 1911.

3. That it increase the number of members of each precinct for election of delegates to conventions of Joint Synod to fifteen. See page 52, Minutes of 1911.

4. That only one professor from each theological seminary be required to attend the conventions of Joint Synod. (Renewed). See page 52, Minutes of 1911.

L. PFLUEGER, *English Secretary.*

EASTERN DISTRICT.

Resolutions submitted:

1. It was resolved by a vote of 25 yeas to 18 nays that the Eastern District recommended to Joint Synod the removal of Capital University from Columbus to some favorable place that offers financial inducements acceptable to us.

2. Further it was resolved to advocate co-education at Capital University in case the location of the college is changed.

3. *Resolved* (unanimously) that we heartily second the board's motion which is. That Joint Synod thankfully accept the proffered stations in India and proceed at once to take the necessary steps, so that we may enter upon the work as soon as possible.

K. BRAEUER, *Secretary.*

ENGLISH DISTRICT.

I. We petition Joint Synod to make provision on report blanks so that all congregations in a parish can be reported on one blank. Also that blank spaces be provided for the names of the different congregations.

II. We ask Joint Synod to adopt the main features of the plan to raise an endowment fund as outlined in the minutes of the 1910 Missionary Conference with the following changes:

1. That the fund be known as the Joint Synod Jubilee Endowment Fund, instead of the Joint Synod Endowment Fund. This fund is to be raised in commemoration of the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation.

2. That the object shall be to raise at least $200,000.

3. That the plan shall be to secure not only 400 pastors of Synod to co-operate, but all the pastors of Synod to secure as many persons as possible who will subscribe $100 each to this fund, this money to be paid on the terms as outlined in the first paragraph of the plan.

4. That the paragraph referring to the property in which the funds are to be invested be omitted.

5. That the part in paragraph two referring to Men's Leagues be omitted.

6. That in the distribution of the income from this fund the educational institutions, missions and the Board of Aids shall be the beneficiaries.

7. That Joint Synod appoint a committee to work this plan.

III. With reference to educational matters and a Foreign Mission of our own the English District decided as follows:

1. We are of the opinion that the proseminary should remain at St. Paul as it is.

2. We are of the opinion that for the present the two seminaries should remain as they are, but that eventually there should be but one seminary.

3. We are in favor of co-education at Capital University. We also ask for a field agent for Capital University as soon as it is possible to make the necessary arrangements.

4. We join with the committee on Foreign Missions in their recommendation to Joint Synod as follows: "We therefore offer the motion

that Joint Synod thankfully accept the proffered station in India and proceed at once to take the necessary steps, so that we may enter upon the work as soon as possible.

OSCAR T. F. TRESSEL, *Secretary.*

WISCONSIN DISTRICT.

We recommend to Joint Synod to reconsider its resolution to close the theological department of our school at Olympia, Wash.

H. THEDINGA, *Secretary.*

MINNESOTA DISTRICT.

I. a. In reference to the question of the question of the Joint Synod concerning the seminary and college matter this district recommends:

1. Under existing circumstances not to merge the seminaries at Columbus and St. Paul.

2. Not to move the Proseminary at St. Paul to another place.—It is our opinion that in order not to injure the seminary at St. Paul and the whole work of the church in the Northwest we should abstain from any more talk about moving the seminary.

3. For the present not to remove the college from Columbus but to work towards that end.

C. We express ourselves very resolutely against co-education in our preparatory departments but we are in favor of the establishment of a separate educational institution for ladies at an appropriate time.

c. We recommend that Joint Synod endeavor to secure students from Germany for our Synod not only from Hermannsburg but also from P. Voelter, Stuttgart, Wuertemberg.

d. Because it is our opinion that the expenses of study for the sons of our pastors and teachers should be reduced, we petition the Joint Synod to bring this about by remission of the amount paid for tuition, light, coal and room-rent.

e. We urgently request Joint Synod to see to it that the resolution in regard to the payments of the amount fixed for St. Paul be carried out, and that all appropriations may be payed out regularly in monthly installments. Our professors should receive their salary just as punctually as do our missionaries.

II. Concerning the question of a Foreign Mission, resolved:

a. After prolonged and earnest discussion of this question, the

Minnesota District deems, the time as yet *not yet* at hand that we may enter upon Foreign Mission of our own, and this on account of the very great, important and hopeful work of our Home Mission.

b. We recommend in the first place that Joint Synod for the present do not buy the offered stations, Kodur and Putter in India, but only assume the support of them.

c. We recommend further, that as soon as able men can be found among us, we send them out to India to learn the language and to be introduced into the work there by the Hermannsburg missionaries.

III. a. We request Joint Synod very etarnestly to lay upon the heart of the Districts to do more for the widow and orphan fund.

b. We move that Joint Synod transfer the board of the pastors', teachers' widow and orphan fund to the West.

W. STRIEPE, *Secretary.*

KANSAS AND NEBRASKA DISTRICT.

A request to Joint Synod:

1. To accept the Hermannsburg proposition concerning the mission field in India.

2. To start a fund for the purpose of educating future professors for our institutions.

3. To set forth a certain Sunday upon which our congregations should be requested to bring an offering for our Pastors' and Teachers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

4. To temporarily grant unto Hebron Academy that part of Hickory's library, which could be of use to students of that school.

B. Feeling that it is our right and duty to protest against the anti-Christian and anti-biblical sentences contained in some of our state schoolbooks, we kindly request Joint Synod to take up this matter for discussion.

C. 1. We believe that Luther Seminary at St. Paul should be retained as a practical seminary as long as it is needed as such, but that it should be the aim of Joint Synod eventually to have but *one* Seminary. At all events Joint Synod should *now* limit itself absolutely to two Seminaries.

2. We favor the removal of our College at Columbus as soon as circumstances permit, to some place where said school could be opened with better prospects than Columbus seems to offer.

3. We think that the proseminary at St. Paul should develope into an up-to-date college; and if absolutely necessary for that purpose, it should be removed to another place.

G. A. SPRING, *Secretary.*

TEXAS DISTRICT.

1. Realizing the great demand for a tubercular institution and cognizant of the fact, that the locality and climate selected near San Antonio is admirably adapted for tubercular people, we therefore heartily concur in the suggestion of Dr. Schuette that the institution be placed under the auspices of the Joint Synod of Ohio and other States, also that the synod assume any part in the management advisable for the welfare of the institution.

We request Dr. F. E. Lindahl, the authorized representative of the Sanatorium Committee, to negotiate with the president, Dr. Schuette, and under his guidance formulate additional proposals to be presented to the Synod at its meeting in August.

2. Relative to co-education at Capital University, we concur in the suggestion of the honorable faculty of Capital University, viz., that this be settled after the re-location of Capital University has been decided.

3. We are of the opinion, that the overtures of the Hermannsburg Mission Society should not be accepted.

4. We are opposed to the resolution of the honorable Joint Synod making the office of the Executive of the Home Mission Board an elective office. We recommend that this resolution be reconsidered.

L. LINDOERFER, *Secretary.*

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

1. We petition Joint Synod to reconsider its action regarding the theological department at Olympia, Wash.

2. In the application blank for support, to be sent by the missionaries to the Home Mission Board, we find the following words: "In the name and by order of the congregation, we promise, that, in case it should at any time withdraw from the Evang. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and other States (which God may in mercy prevent) it will refund to your board the money received by way of support."

We petition Joint Synod to either cancel the whole phrase or to restrict it.

3. We favor the resolution of the Olympia Board to petition Joint Synod to appoint a third professor, and the half of whose salary shall be guaranteed by the District.

4. In regard to the action of Joint Synod with reference to a foreign mission, to be laid before the different districts for discussion, we have to report the following:

a. We do not favor the establishment of a foreign mission in

India at present, either alone or in connection with the Hermannsburg Mission.

b. In reference to the mission among the Mongols and Hindoos on the Pacific coast: Since there seems to be no promising opening for a mission among the Mongols in Portland, Oregon, we can not recommend it. Regarding Vancouver, B. C., and other points we need further information before we can make any recommendations.

AUG. F. GRAEBNER, *Secretary.*

CANADA DISTRICT.

1. Regarding the question: Shall we operate a heathen mission of our own? the District is of the opinion, that we take over several stations for support but without buying them.

2. We are convinced, that the time is not yet (a) to combine our two theological seminaries into one and (b) to move the college at Columbus and the proseminary at St. Paull to another place. The latter must under no circumstances be separated from the seminary.

We also do not deem it proper, that young ladies be admitted to our college at Columbus.

3. We politely and urgently request Joint Synod to instruct the Mission Board always to send their executive officer to the sessions of those districts at least, which are to the greater part mission districts.

The Canada District finally reminds Joint Synod of the proposition of the Mission Conference to fix as the minimum salary of married missionaries the sum of $720 per annum.

We of course deem it necessary, that the congregations must be held to pay as much themselves as is in their power.

G. E. SPOHR, *Secretary.*

NORTHERN CONFERENCE OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT.

petitions Joint Synod to make arrangements for a revision of the explanation of our catechism in both languages with the following principles in view:

The catechism should be

1. Simple and intelligible, it should further and not make difficult the understanding of the text.

2. Not fail to notice that Luther's catechism is a confession of the faith of the people and the children, and not a dogmatics;

3. Be methodical, and to this we reckon

a. Proper sequence.

b. Arrangement of matter into steps (grades?).
c. Giving of concrete examples, e. g., biblical histories.

G. GAST, *Secretary.*

COLUMBUS ENGLISH CONFERENCE.

1. *Resolved,* That we recognize the Iowa Synod as conservatively Lutheran, and that we favor fraternal fellowship with that body.

2. *Resolved,* That we favor efforts aiming at a better understanding and closer relation with the General Council.

3. *Resolved,* That we petition Joint Synod to combine all its treasuries into one office; that the treasurer be placed under bond, and that he be required to devote his whole time to the office—i. e. to the collection and disbursing of Synod's funds.

4. *Resolved,* That we memorialize Joint Synod to authorize the Capital University Board to call one of the present professors as President, and one as Housefather of the University.

F. B. HAX, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Forty-First Convention

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod

Of Ohio and Other States

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

The Preliminary Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and other States, elected for this the ninth delegate body, met in the school hall of St. Paul's Congregation, Dayton, O. (Rev. M. C. Hecht, pastor), at 9 a. m., August 20th, 1912. The meeting was opened by the President with an appropriate devotional service.

The names of the delegates elected by the various Districts to serve on the Preliminary Committee are the following:

1. *Western District:* Pastors S. A. Stein and C. C. Hein; Messrs. Philip Rupprecht and Geo. Kieffer.
2. *Eastern District:* Pastors E. G. Richter and F. H. Meyer; Messrs. J. Heinlein and Louis Schorman.
3. *Northern District:* Pastors E. H. D. Winterhoff and J. C. Koepplin; Messrs. B. B. Overmyer and Wm. Potratz.
4. *Minnesota District:* Pastors H. Pfeiffer and J. F. L. Bohnhoff; Messrs. Aug. Miessner and John Scharrer.
5. *Wisconsin District:* Pastors W. Spiegel and H. Lindemann; Messrs. Charles F. Miller and J. W. Nass.
6. *Washington District:* Pastors O. Just and J. C. Croneck; Messrs. F. Baske and H. C. Pochert.
7. *Kansas and Nebraska District:* Pastors R. J. Voss and A. O. Swinehart; Messrs. Prof. M. Paysen and E. Hellmann.
8. *Texas District:* Pastors J. C. Felger and L. Lindoerfer; Lay Delegate Dr. F. E. Lindahl.
9. *First English District:* Pastors C. D. Besch and W. N. Harley; Messrs. J. F. Bachmann and J. C. Overmeyer.
10. *Concordia District:* Pastors O. E. Swinehart and C. E. Birkhold; Messrs. A. G. Snyder and Geo. Miller.
11. *Canada District:* Pastors J. Fritz and H. Flathmann; Teacher D. C. Harnagel.

All reports and business of Synod were then presented by the Hon. President to different sub-committees for consideration and action. Before, however, the reports of the sub-committees were presented to Synod, they were considered by the entire Preliminary Committee.

SUB-COMMITTEES.

I. *Organization and Missions:* Pastors E. H. D. Winterhoff, C. D. Besch, E. G. Richter, O. Just, A. O. Swinehart and H. Flathmann; Messrs. J. Heinlein, H. C. Pochert, E. Hellmann and August Miessner. Advisory: Dr. H. Ernst, Prof. E. Pfeiffer, Pastors E. A. Boehme and R. E. Golladay.

II. *Educational Institutions:* Pastors J. C. Koepplin, F. H. Meyer, H. Lindemann, J. F. L. Bohnhoff, J. C. Croneck, H. Eisenbach; Messrs. J. C. Bachmann, Prof. M. Paysen, Charles F. Miller and David Harnagel. Advisory: Dr. F. W. Stellhorn, Dr. Theo. Mees, Prof. H. K. G. Doermann, Prof A. Meyer, Prof. K. Hemminghaus and Prof. P. Buehring.

III. *Nominations and Varia:* The District Presidents: Pastor J. F. C. Soller, Prof. R. C. H. Lenski, Pastors H. P. Dannecker, M. R. Walter, M. P. Doermann, Wm. von Fischer, F. Loewenstein, W. F. Kerl, J. C. Doermann, H. T. Wittrock and G. Gehrke.

IV. *Finances and Eleemosynary Institutions:* Pastors W. N. Harley, P. H. Spiegel, S. A. Stein, O. E. Swinehart, J. C. Felger and W A. Bowman; Messrs. B. B. Overmyer, H. Haueisen, H. G. Snyder, D. F. E. Lindahl, L. Schorman and F. Baske. Advisory: Pastors H. J. Schuh, A. J. Feeger, W. E. Schramm, A. G. Bergener, Dr. E. Cronenwett and F. Pohlmann.

Ex-Officio: F. J. Heer and Dr. C. H. L. Schuette.

V. *Publications:* Pastors C. C. Hein, H. F. Pfeiffer, J. Fritz, C. E. Birkhold, R. J. Voss and L. Lindoerfer; Messrs. P. H. Rupprecht, J. C. Overmeyer, W. Potratz and J. Scharrer.

Advisory: A. H. Dornbirer, Teacher F. C. Mayer, H. Dettmer, and Prof. Geo. H. Schodde, Ph.D.

Forty-First Convention

OF THE

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Of Ohio and Other States.

The Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States met in its forty-first Convention, the ninth as a delegate body, at Dayton, Ohio, in the St. Paul's Ev. Luth. Church (Rev. M. C. Hecht, pastor), from the 22nd to the 28th of August, 1912. Pastor Hecht's congregation was ably assisted in the entertainment of Synod by the congregations of Pastors Baum, Poppen and Tressel.

The Convention was opened with divine services on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, the sermon being preached by Rev. H. P. Dannecker on Psalm 40, 9.

The roll call showed the presence of 101 delegates; namely, 56 pastors, 37 lay delegates and 8 teachers; 37 advisory and 79 guests. Total 217.

The voting members are distributed among the various Districts as follows:

WESTERN DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
C. C. Hein, Columbus, O.	H. Haueisen, Rome, O.
H. G. C. Schmidt, Middletown, O.	Jacob Borger, Trenton, O.
S. A. Stein, Springfield, O.	Phil. Rupprecht, Marysville, O.
J. Kieffer, Shelbyville, Ill.	Wm. Mueller, Staunton, Ind.
E. C. Stellhorn, St. Marys, O.	Charles Wenker, Coldwater, O.
Luther Pflueger, Franklin Furnace, O.	

Teacher.

H. Dettmer, Richmond, Ind.

EASTERN DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
E. F. A. Dittmer, Carnegie, Pa.	J. Heinlein, Coraopolis, Pa.
E. G. Richter, Youngstown, O.	Louis Eckert, Pittsburgh, Pa., N. S.
F. Beiswenger, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Henry Neumann, Youngstown, O.
F. H. Meyer, Zelienople, Pa.	Louis Schorman, Oil City, Pa.

Teacher.

G. A. Hein, Pittsburgh, N. S., Pa.

NORTHERN DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
J. W. Schillinger, Marion, O.	J. H. Brommelmeyer, Cleveland, O.
O. E. Bertram, Bucyrus, O.	D. S. Shieber, Bucyrus, O.
C. H. Althoff, Gibsonburg, O.	B. B. Overmyer, Fremont, O.
E. H. D. Winterhoff, Pemberville, O.	Wm. Witker, Pemberville, O.
	J. E. Dettmer, Sheldon, Ind.
O. Lilje, Latchie, O.	H. Trost, Pigeon, Mich.
F. Beitelsbacher, Maybee, Mich.	W. Potratz, Detroit, Mich.
J. C. Koepplin, Detroit, Mich.	August Wallaman, Dearborn, Mich.
R. Graetz, Brighton, Mich.	
H. P. Long, Toledo, O.	
Dr. Theo. Mees, Columbus, O.	

Teachers.

H. Wagenbauer, Detroit, Mich. G. F. Doepping, Sheldon, Ind.
F. E. Assenheimer, Woodville, O.

WISCONSIN DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
W. Spiegel, Wausau, Wis.	Charles F. Mueller, Royalton, Wis.
E. Kraft, Marion, Wis.	J. W. Nass, Lebanon, Wis.
E. G. Kuhlmann, Oshkosh, Wis.	
E. Lack, Plattville, Wis.	
C. J. Lange, Yorkville, Ill.	
H. Lindemann, Golden, Ill.	

Teachers.

G. A. Timmermann, Oshkosh Wis. F. Remmert, Mt. Olive, Ill.

MINNESOTA DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
P. Rick, St. Paul, Minn.	August Miessner, Ramsberg, S. D.
K. Kowalske, Stewart, Minn.	Heinrich Baak, Woden, Iowa.
Paul Cornils, Lamberton, Minn.	John Scharrer, Cedar Lake, Minn.
H. Pfeiffer, Albert Lee, Minn.	Albert Wegener, Hanover, Minn.
H. Appel, Holloway, Minn.	
C. Voss, Des Moines, Iowa.	
W. Schmidt, Marietta, Minn.	
J. F. L. Bohnhoff, Valley City, N. Dak.	
E. Lehne, Duluth, Minn.	

Teacher.

Prof. K. Busch, St. Paul, Minn.

KANSAS AND NEBRASKA DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
R. J. Voss, Carleton, Neb.	Prof. M. Paysen, Hebron, Neb.
A. O. Swinehart, Tescott, Kan.	E. Hellmann, Kansas City, Mo.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
Paul Schmidt, Salem, Ore.	H. C. Pochert, Tacoma, Wash.
O. Just, Vancouver, B. C.	*F. Baske, Davenport, Wash.
J. C. Croneck, Medical Lake, Wash.	M. Buth, Fairfield, Wash.

TEXAS DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegate.
J. C. Felger, San Antonio, Tex.	Dr. F. E. Lindahl, San Antonio, Tex.
L. Lindoerfer, Swift, Alabama.	

ENGLISH DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
C. D. Fischer, Columbiana, O.	Dr. J. C. Hoch, Bellevue, Pa.
C. A. Rhiel, Lithopolis, O.	*Geo. Deuker, Richmond, Ind.
L. Fudge, Farmersville, O.	Phil. Herrnstein, Circleville, O.
C. D. Besch, Canton, O.	G. P. Long, Lakeville, O.
D. F. Schultz, Lima, O.	J. C. Overmyer, Fremont, O.
W. N. Harley, Columbus, O.	J. E. Bachman, Canal Winchester, O.
E. C. Billing, Detroit, Mich.	C. P. Steinheiser, Detroit, Mich.

CONCORDIA DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
O. E. Swinehart, Fullerton, Md.	A. G. Snyder, Baltimore, Md.
C. E. Birkhold, Brandywine, W. Va.	Geo. Miller, Hickory, N. C.
F. W. Almendinger, Washington, D. C.	*H. C. Lehmann, Washington, D. C.

CANADA DISTRICT.

Pastors.	Lay Delegate.
H. W. Kahre, Winnipeg, Canada.	Teacher, D. C. Harnagel, Winnipeg, Canada.
H. Flathmann, Rhein, Sash., Can.	
J. Fritz, Regina, Sask., Can.	
J. Oberhammer, Pashley, Alberta, Can.	

*Absent.

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Officers of Synod.

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Eastern Vice-President—Rev. H. J. Schuh, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Western Vice-President—Prof. H. Ernst, D. D., St. Paul, Minn.
German Secretary—Rev. W. D. Ahl, Oshkosh, Wis.
English Secretary—Rev. A. Pflueger, Botkins, O.
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Presidents of Boards.

Rev. E. A. Boehme, Theological Seminary, Columbus, Ohio.
*Dr. E. Cronenwett, Capital University, Columbus, Ohio.
Rev. H. Eisenbach, Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.
Rev. A. G. Bergener, Teachers' Seminary, Woodville, O.
*Rev. George Finke, Pacific Seminary, Olympia, Wash.
Rev. A. J. Feeger, Wernle Orphans' Home, Richmond Ind.
Rev. H. J. Schuh, St. John's Lutheran Home, Mars, Pa.
Rev. W. E. Schramm, Hickory Seminary, Hickory, N. C.
Rev. R. E. Golladay, Home Mission Board, Columbus, O.
Prof. E. Pfeiffer, Publication Board, Columbus, O.
Rev. W. A. Bowman, Board of Aids, Fremont, O.
Rev. J. F. Mueller, Negro Missions, Baltimore, Md.
Rev. F. Pohlman, Hebron Academy, Hebron, Neb.
*Rev. H. Schmidt, Melville Academy, Sask., Canada.

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Prof. F. W. Stellhorn, D. D., Theological Seminary, Columbus, Ohio.
Prof. R. C. H. Lenski, Capital University, Columbus, O.
Prof. H. Ernst, D. D., Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.
Dir. K. Hemminghaus, Normal School, Woodville, O.
Rev. F. W. Gahre, Wernle Orphans' Home, Richmond, Ind.
Prof. P. H. Buehring, Hebron Academy, Hebron, Neb.
Prof. A. P. Meyer, Pacific Seminary, Olympia, Wash.

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Prof. George H. Schodde, Ph. D., Columbus, O.
Prof. E. Pfeiffer, A. M., Columbus, O.
Prof. Theo. Mees, Ph. D., Columbus, O.
Prof. H. Ernst, D. D., St. Paul, Minn.
Prof. H. K. G. Doermann, St. Paul, Minn.
Prof. R. C. H. Lenski, A. M., Columbus, O.

*Absent.

Manager of Book Concern.

Rev. A. H. Dornbirer, Columbus, O.

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Western District—Prof. R. C. H. Lenski, Columbus, O.
Eastern District—Rev. J. F. C. Soller, Youngstown, O.
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Minnesota District—Rev. Wm. von Fischer, St. Paul, Minn.
Wisconsin District—Rev. M. P. Doerman, Blue Island, Ill.
Texas District—Rev. F. W. Loewenstein, New Orleans, La.
Washington District—Rev. H. Wittrock, Ritzville, Wash.
Kansas and Nebraska District—Rev. F. W. Kerl, Lenexa, Kansas.
English District—Rev. M. R. Walter, Gahanna, O.
Concordia District—Rev. J. E. A. Doermann, Washington, D. C.
Canada District—Rev. George Gehrke, Winnipeg, Canada.

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Pastors.

Paul F. Hein.
W. J. Ferne.
A. C. Ernst.
J. Beck.
Rudolph Otto.
A. L. Burmann.
G. J. Troutman.
C. H. Herrnstein.
J. F. Gerkensmeyer.
A. Eberle.
Louis Dammann.
E. A. Dobberstein.
L. H. Burry.
F. J. Lange.
Prof. Wm. Schmidt.
W. E. Arnholt.
C. W. Pflueger.
A. H. Peffly.
C. J. E. Lautenschlager.
Otto Mees.
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Marcus Einfeldt.
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Adolf Ebert, Sr.
E. O. Wannagat.
J. Siermanns.
J. Dingeldey.
Wm. Grabemann.
C. W. Bachman.
C. G. Wolf.
F. B. Hax.
H. D. Blohm.
D. P. Ebert.
H. L. Ridenour.
John Allwardt.
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A. Braun.
W. F. Rose.
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S. H. Mollenauer.
P. Langendorff.
Emanuel Poppen.
L. J. Ebinger.

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Paul D. Schillinger.
C. F. W. Allwardt.
A. Beck.
G. J. Long.
G. Pilgrim.
Theodore Stellhorn.

Teachers.

J. L. Conrad.
Elsie Gerkensmeyer.
Prof. Geo. K. Leonard.
W. Nordsieck.
Prof. C. C. Robinson.
Marg. Riedel.
Eleanora Ricker.
Prof. Wm. L. Young.
Student Carl P. Hecht.

Lay Members from Other Congregations.

W. Banzahf.
Peter Essinger.
F. Haber.
E. H. Knebusch.
Fred. Nagel.
M. H. W. Ruprecht.
F. Siebert.

BUSINESS OF SYNOD.

The business of Synod was completed in thirteen sessions, each being opened with divine services. The morning services were conducted in German by Rev. F. H. Meyer and those of the afternoon sessions by Rev. G. E. Kuhlmann in English.

The officers of Synod were:

REV. C. H. L. SCHUETTE, D. D.....*President*
REV. H. J. SCHUH.....*Eastern Vice-President*
PROF H. ERNST, D. D.....*Western Vice-President*
REV. W. D. AHL.....*German Secretary*
REV. A. PFLUEGER.....*English Secretary*
MR. C. NAGEL.....*Treasurer*

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Thursday, Organization, and Missions.

Friday, Educational Institutions.

Saturday, Nominations and Varia.

Monday, Treasuries and Eleemosynary Institutions.

Tuesday, Publication Matters.

Wednesday, Unfinished Business.

Resolved, That Synod shall not deviate from this Order of Business unless demanded by three-fourths of the members present.

Resolved, That no one shall speak more than twice on the same motion, nor more than five minutes at one time.

According to the By-laws of Synod the election of officers of Synod takes place Tuesday morning from 8 to 12.

TIME OF SESSIONS.

8:30 A. M. to 11:30 A. M.
2:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M.

REPORTS OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE
and
ACTION OF THE SYNOD ON THE SAME.

A. President's Report.

(Off. Reports pp. 3 to 8.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We hail with joy every movement toward a union in doctrine and praxis upon the basis of the Word of God and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church; we, on our part, will heartily lend continued support to such movements.

2. We heartily concur with the Hon. President:

a. That true unity consists in agreement in the pure doctrine and a corresponding praxis;

b. That a federation of ecclesiastical bodies can take place on the basis of such unity only, and must have as its aim the promotion of the interests of the Kingdom of God;

c. That the mutual recognition of each other by separate bodies should extend so far, and so far only, as the common agreement in doctrine and praxis extends.

3. With the Hon. President we also condemn the separatistic spirit which demands for true unity more than a union in doctrine and praxis, and, on the other hand, the unionistic spirit which surrenders much in doctrine and praxis to satisfy its craving for external union.

4. We recommend (a) that intersynodical conferences within smaller circles be encouraged, as these may be of great benefit, if conducted in a proper and judicious manner; (b) that item "c" on page 6 be adopted as presented.

5. With reference to item A, p. 7, respecting our relation to the Iowa Synod, we suggest that all documentary evidence of the wrong treatment of us by synods of the General Council be collected as soon as possible, and be transmitted to the Hon. Iowa Synod by a committee of three, of which the General President shall be the chairman; that we await the results of Iowa's

negotiations with the General Council, and that until then our relation to Iowa shall remain unchanged.

6. With reference to the Toledo Theses, your committee does not deem it necessary for the Joint Synod formally to adopt them, inasmuch as the Joint Synod at its meeting in Richmond, Ind., rendered a decision relative to Iowa's doctrinal position; especially since the Districts, with one or two exceptions, have decided in favor of said theses.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE ABOVE.

The entire report of the Preliminary Committee was adopted. In connection with item 4-"b" it was

Resolved, (a) That the resolution of Synod regarding the appointment of intersynodical committees of arbitration be reported to the officers of the following bodies:

The Iowa Synod,
The General Council and its synods,
The General Synod and its synods,
The United Synod of the South,
The Synods of the Synodical Conference and their Districts,
The Norwegian Synods,
The Danish Synods, etc.,

and (b) that these bodies be requested to take corresponding action.

As members of the committee referred to in item 5 the following were chosen: The General President and the Presidents of the Western and the English Districts.

B. Educational Institutions.

I. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND CAPITAL UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

(See p. 7-B, and pp. 9-12.)

Report of the Prel. Committee.

1. With the respective Boards we deplore the decrease in the number of students in our Seminary and College. Again and again we must call upon all pastors and teachers throughout Synod to do earnest and prayerful work in persuading young men to consecrate themselves to the Lord's service in the public ministry of the Word and other learned professions.

2. a. We recommend (See p. 12, b) that the present arrangement of combining the office of President and Housefather be retained and that the Board fill the vacancy as soon as possible.

b. We move that the members of the faculty be required to assist the president, under his direction, in gaining students for the institution and that especially a part of their vacation be devoted to this work.

3. a. We move that the question with regard to the removal of the College be now discussed.

b. That such a course be instituted, if the board and faculty find it practicable. (See p. 7, a and p. 8, b.)

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE FOREGOING.

Item 1 was adopted. At the same time attention was called to the fact that all our pastors, professors and students, as well as our people in general, should do what they can to secure and retain students for our college and seminary, so that our church may be supplied with well equipped pastors and teachers.

Item 2-a was thoroughly discussed and unanimously adopted. Also 2-b was adopted.

Item 3-a gave rise to a thorough discussion of the question referred to by the President. After much had been said both by those who favor and those who oppose the removal of Capital University, it was finally all but unanimously resolved that Capital University shall remain at Columbus.

Item 3-b was adopted.

II. LUTHER SEMINARY, ST. PAUL, MINN.

(See pp. 13 and 14.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We hold that the time has not yet arrived to establish a full college at St. Paul.

2. We recommend that the faculty be permitted to arrange for the instruction of students in preparation for the lowest class in the proseminary.

3. We recommend that another professor be called to St. Paul.

4. We recommend that the constitution of Luther Seminary

be changed, so that the board may be empowered to appoint a member of the faculty as treasurer.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE PRECEDING.

Item 1 was adopted. In this connection it was admitted on all sides that our aim should be to establish a full college at St. Paul eventually.

Items 2 and 3 were also adopted with the understanding that the board shall have the power to expand and improve the work at St. Paul in the higher classes.

Item 4 was adopted.

III. NORMAL SCHOOL, WOODVILLE, O.

(See pp. 14 and 15.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

We rejoice over the progress made in this school, and feel constrained to emphasize the necessity of founding more parochial schools, so that the benefits of the normal school may be perpetuated.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE ABOVE.

The report of the Committee was adopted, after the Director of said institution had pointed to the fact that the brethren do not make so extensive a use as they should of the blessings accruing to our congregations from the establishment and maintenance of good parochial schools.

IV. PACIFIC SEMINARY, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON.

(See pp. 15 and 16 and Communication of Wash. District, p. 103, 1.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We recommend that another professor be appointed for the proseminary, who at the same time is to take charge of the business course, Synod to appropriate $500.00 per annum toward his support.

2. We recommend that the request of the Washington District, to reopen the theological department at Olympia, be granted.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Items 1 and 2 were adopted, after the necessary explanations with reference to the points at issue had been made by the representatives of the Washington District.

V. HEBRON ACADEMY.

(See pp. 16 to 20.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We thank God for the auspicious opening of the Academy, and appreciate the fact that the Kansas-Nebraska District was enabled to hand over the property to Synod free from debt.

2. We recommend that another professor be called.

3. We offer the following changes in the Constitution of Hebron Academy:

a. In Art. II-a the words "our youth" should be substituted for "the youth of our churches and land."

b. The last half of § 7 Art. IV. should read: "In case of false doctrine, immorality, incapacity, inattention to duty, breaches of the ordinances of the school, or conduct that might be injurious to the students committed to their care, the board shall be authorized, after proper dealing with such persons, to remove them from office."

c. Concerning the order in Art. VI, A, we would recommend:

1. Be responsible, etc.
2. Shall see to it, etc.
3. Give attention, etc.
4. Examine the books, etc.
5. See to it, etc.
6. Fill any vacancy.

d. In place of Art. VI, B, we propose the following:

The president of the school shall be found faithful in his office as teacher, and shall see to it that a Christian spirit prevail in the institution. In cooperation with the faculty he shall see to it that the branches to be taught be properly divided among his colleagues, and that these his associates faithfully teach according to the outlined annual schedule. In all cases of admission to and dismissal from the school his decision shall be final.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

The report of the Preliminary Committee was adopted. To § 2 under Art. V of the Constitution of Hebron Academy the words are to be added: "subject to the approval of the Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States."

VI. MELVILLE ACADEMY.

(See pp. 20 and 21.)

ACTION OF SYNOD.

After the situation had been set forth at some length, Synod resolved that the request of the Canada District with reference to the calling of a Director for the proposed academy be granted, as soon as $15,000 have been secured.

VII. ST. PAUL'S SEMINARY AND ACADEMY, HICKORY, N. C.

(See pp. 21 and 22.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We recommend that the resignations tendered by N. S. Dasher, R. M. Bumgarner and S. M. Hamrick, members of the board that had been authorized to sell our Hickory property, be accepted.

2. We move that in place of the members resigned three new members be elected, who together with the chairman shall constitute a new board, and shall have all the authority and rights necessary to act as such.

3. We move that Rev. W. E. Schramm, President of the Board of our Hickory institution, in conjunction with the other three members, be empowered to sell the property of Synod, situate in the town of Hickory, N. C., aforesaid, consisting of 13 acres of land, more or less, with the buildings erected thereon, for such price as may be deemed right and sufficient by our authorized attorney, the Rev. W. E. Schramm.

4. The funds accruing from such sale are to be expended in the establishment of an academy at some future date within the bounds of the Concordia District. Meanwhile the interest accruing on the amount realized by such sale is to be utilized for mission work in the South, under the direction of the Mission Board.

5. We move that the treasurer of said institution be directed to transfer the books and funds of the institution to the General Institution Treasurer.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Items 1 to 5 were adopted, and the committee on nominations was instructed to propose candidates for a new board of St. Paul's Academy at Hickory, N. C., to fill the places of the members resigned. These, together with Rev. W. E. Schramm, shall have charge of the Hickory property with full power to sell it. As members of this board the following were proposed and elected: Rev. Oscar Mees, Baltimore, Md., Mr. Charles J. Dobler, Baltimore, Md., and Mr. C. F. Umhau, Washington, D. C. In case a vacancy should occur in this board, the General President shall have power to fill it.

VIII. OUR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN GENERAL.

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We agree with the Kansas and Nebraska District (p. 102, C, 1) and the English District (p. 100, III, 2) that the aim of Joint Synod should be eventually to have but one centrally located seminary, and that a theoretical, with the addition of an eclectic course; and that for the present the discussion of the matter on the floor of Joint Synod should be dropped.

2. With reference to the request of the Capital University Board (p. 12, item a) we recommend that Synod change the mode of election for all offices to be filled by synodical boards as follows: (a) The respective board is to issue a call for nominations from the congregations and pastors of our Synod; (b) every nomination must be supported by at least two pastors or congregations; (c) these nominations must be sent in within a period of four weeks from the date of the publication of the call for nominations; (d) the list of nominees shall then be published twice in our Church papers, and thereupon the election shall be held by the board.

3. We recommend that the suggestion of the Minnesota District (see p. 101, C, c) be now discussed.

4. (a) We are thankful to the all-merciful God who has signally blessed all our institutions of learning. (b) We

appreciate the faithful work done by the professors, and beseech the Lord and Savior of the Church to grant them health and strength to continue in their difficult and at the same time glorious calling. (c) We approve all enactments of the various boards of control as mentioned in their reports.

5. With reference to the petition of the Columbus Seminary Board, page 10, III, we move (a) that the term of office of all newly elected members of the boards of our various institutions shall begin with the first regular board meeting after the Convention of Synod; (b) that all newly elected members of the various boards be forthwith officially notified of their election by the secretaries of Joint Synod.

6. We recommend that the request of the Western District, to the effect that only one board meeting be held annually, page 99, 2, be not granted.

7. Finally, we recommend that the librarians of all our institutions be allowed to solicit contributions for the support of their libraries from the young people's societies within their respective bounds.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Items 1 and 2 were adopted as presented.

Item 3 was discussed, but no resolution was passed with reference to it.

Items 4 and 5 were adopted.

Item 6 was also adopted, for the reason that such a change would not be in accord with the charter of this or that institution.

Item 7 was adopted.

C. Eleemosynary Institutions.

1. WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME, RICHMOND, IND.

(See pp. 22-24.)

With reference to this institution no special resolutions were necessary, and hence no separate report was made. With regard to the appropriations, see the report of the Committee on Finances.

II. ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED AND CHILDREN'S HOME, MARS, PA.

(See pp. 24 and 25.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

We move that said institutions be permitted to receive children under two years of age.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Synod could not consent to give up the rule that has obtained hitherto, and hence the motion of the committee was not adopted.

III. BOARD OF AIDS.

(See pp. 25-28 and p. 102, III, a; also A, 3.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee as adopted by Synod.

1. In order to supply the wants of this treasury we recommend that Synod set apart the first Sunday in Lent as the day on which all our congregations shall be requested to raise a collection for said treasury.

2. In answer to the question on page 28, D, we hold that such persons may receive further support, provided they remain faithful to the Lutheran Church.

D. Missions.

I. HOME MISSIONS.

(See pp. 28-32.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We would express our gratification in view of the extension of our home mission field, the increase of interest on the part of pastors and people, and the results attained in the work in general.

2. We regret that the students from our seminaries had so often to be drafted for service in the home mission field, but consider that this was necessary, and will have to be done in the future to supply urgent needs. At the same time we urge all our pastors and congregations earnestly to pray and labor, that the great need of ministers in our Synod may be overcome, by sending more students to our schools.

3. Regarding the question (p. 30) submitted by the Home Mission Board, we are of opinion that pastors who are in financial distress, except such as are serving in the mission field, should ask for aid of their respective districts, and that the Mission Board should not be burdened in such cases.

4. The question (p. 30) regarding the cooperation of the Mission Board with the Board of Aids in certain cases, we would answer in the affirmative and approve of this cooperation.

5. Respecting the official name of the Home Mission Board, (p. 31) we recommend the adoption of the second name proposed.

6. We recommend that the executive officer (p. 31), or another member of the Mission Board, be required to visit the various districts as often as possible, especially when requested to do so by the district presidents.

7. Negotiations with the German Home Mission Board of the General Council (p. 31). We approve the action of our Board in this matter, and hope that the General Council Board will yet accept the last proposition of our Board, which was essentially their own proposition.

8. With reference to the recommendation of the Texas District (p. 104, 4) we move that the Executive Officer of the Mission Board be hereafter called by the Mission Board itself, as other officers are called by the respective boards.

9. In reply to the request of the Washington District (p. 103) we move that the rule referred to continue in force.

10. With regard to the suggestion of the Canada District (p. 104) we consider it unwise to fix a minimum salary for missionaries, because the circumstances in various cases are very different.

11. We recommend that the question on page 32: "May the Church Building Board borrow money?" be answered in the negative.

12. We move that all congregational property on which the Church Building Board holds a mortgage must be insured; and the insurance policy must meet with the approval of the Board and contain the mortgage clause.

13. With reference to the request of the Mission Board that Synod sanction the reduction of the assets of the Church

Building Fund in the sum of $217.00, in view of two losses, we move that this request be granted.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Items 1-6 were adopted, item 6 after a thorough discussion.

Item 7 was adopted. In this connection it was resolved that the secretaries shall inform the Mission Board of the General Council with reference to the action of our Synod in the matter referred to.

Item 8 was adopted. In connection therewith it was resolved that Joint Synod recognize the call of the Executive Officer by the Mission Board as legitimate and valid.

Item 9 was adopted, after the matter had been discussed from all sides and the statement had been made that the rule is not ironclad, but admits of exceptions, if such should become absolutely necessary.

Items 10-13 were likewise adopted.

II. COLORED MISSIONS.

(See pp. 33 and 34.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We rejoice that the Board succeeded in obtaining the Rev. H. F. Richards for this work.

2. We consider it especially fortunate that so flourishing a school could be established among the negroes, because also in this mission we regard the work among the youth to be of special importance.

3. We favor a more active support of this work on the part of Synod.

4. In reply to the request (p. 34) that Synod make an appropriation for the liquidation of a debt of $700.00, we regret to state that we cannot comply, as there is no fund from which to draw said amount.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

The entire report was adopted. It was gratifying to all that our mission work among the colored people, after so many discouraging experiences, finally promises to be successful. A missionary superintendent has been secured, the congregational school is comparatively well attended, and the whole work seems

encouraging. Therefore the mission should be much more zealously supported, so that the Board may be able not only to meet all requirements, but also to pay the debt in the near future.

III. INNER MISSIONS.

(See pp. 34-37.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We commend the report of the Committee on Inner Missions to the careful consideration of our pastors and people, and especially commend the practical suggestions therein made.

2. We approve the recommendations made on page 36, II, 3.

3. We do not approve of the recommendation made in the last paragraph of the committee's report on page 37, because we hold that the founding of such institutions should be left to local congregations and conferences.

4. With reference to the establishment of a tubercular sanatorium in or near San Antonio, Texas (p. 103), we recommend that our Synod support both morally and financially the proposed tubercular sanatorium, provided the same is organized and managed in conformity with Lutheran principles; the rules and regulations and charter must meet with the approval of the officers of the Texas District and the General President.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Item 1 was adopted. In this connection Rev. H. P. Long gave an interesting account of his experiences as an inner missionary in Toledo, Ohio. In other cities of our land our pastors are working along the same lines. But much more ought to be done.

Item 2 was also adopted. In connection with this item attention was called to the fact that work of the character referred to has been begun by one of our brethren at Springfield, Minnesota, with a view to the establishment of a school for the training of deaconesses. The committee on Inner Missions was referred to Pastor G. Appel for further information respecting the work at Springfield.

Items 3 and 4 were adopted.

IV. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

(See pp. 37-42 and also the communications of the different Districts, p. 99 ff.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. According to a resolution of Joint Synod two years ago, the committee made further inquiries regarding the transfer of certain portions of the field of the Hermannsburg Mission to our Synod. In its report, pp. 37-41, the Committee on Foreign Missions submits the results of its labors and makes a definite recommendation in this matter. We move that the recommendation of said committee be now taken up for consideration.

2. In consideration of the report of the Treasurer of Foreign Missions we rejoice that this work continues to gain friends among us, which affords a brighter prospect for the future, also in case we establish a foreign mission of our own.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Item 1 was taken up for consideration and gave rise to an animated discussion. The discussion showed that the brethren do not all see eye to eye as to what had best be done. All recognized the fact that it is our duty to do foreign mission work, so that the Gospel may be brought and taught to the heathen. This noble work should be done with ever-increasing zeal. But as to the question, How should we carry on the work? a decided difference of opinion manifested itself. On the one hand some thought we should do as heretofore and support an already established mission society to the best of our ability. We might entrust the training of our missionaries to such a society until we are more favorably situated to carry on a foreign mission of our own. Others urged that the time has already come for us to adopt the motion of our Committee on Foreign Missions, so that our people may be filled with more zeal in the great cause involved. These brethren expressed the fear that further delay in the establishment of a foreign mission of our own might have the effect of quenching the spirit awakened among us and thus of defeating or crippling our efforts to do our acknowledged duty.

Pending the discussion an effort was made to mediate between the divergent opinions by means of a series of resolutions which were laid before Synod without being adopted.

Finally the motion was made and carried to adopt the motion offered in the Official Reports by the Committee on Foreign Missions. Said motion reads as follows: "That Joint Synod thankfully accept the proffered stations in India and proceed at once to take the necessary steps, so that we may enter upon the work as soon as possible." After all had been given ample opportunity to express themselves on the questions involved in the motion, it was adopted by a rising vote, 47 voting for it and 26 against it. The vote was then made all but unanimous.

At the request of Synod the chairman appointed a committee consisting of Revs. E. A. Boehme and E. C. Billing and Mr. Ph. Herrnstein, to propose candidates for our Foreign Mission Board. This committee in due time handed in together with its list of candidates the following resolutions which were also adopted by Synod:

Your committee moves a. That the Foreign Mission Board shall consist of five members, three pastors and two laymen, each to serve six years, to be elected thus: one pastor and one layman at two consecutive meetings, one pastor at the third meeting of Joint Synod.

b. That this Board shall make its own rules and report the same at the next meeting of Joint Synod for approval.

Of the list of candidates proposed by the committee the following were elected in the order here given:

Prof. E. Pfeiffer, Columbus, O.
Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Woodville, O.
Rev. J. H. Schneider, Columbus, O.
Mr. W. Altmann, Columbus, O.
Teacher G. R. Conrad, Columbus, O.

Item 2 was adopted.

V. MISSION WORK AMONG ORIENTALS ON THE PACIFIC COAST

(See pp. 42, 103 and 104.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee as adopted by Synod.

1. In conformity with a resolution of the Washington District (pp. 103 and 104) and according to a communication from Rev. E. Krause, we cannot advise taking up mission work among the Orientals in Portland, Oregon.

2. With reference to a suggestion of Rev. Just and the

resolution of the Washington District (p. 104), we recommend that the Home and Foreign Mission Boards consider whether it would be possible and advisable jointly to call a man to assist Rev. Just in mission work and also to labor among the Orientals in Vancouver, B. C.

VI. VOTE OF THANKS.

Report of the Preliminary Committee as adopted by Synod.

We move that a vote of thanks be extended to the various Mission Boards and especially to their secretaries, for the faithful performance of their arduous duties.

E. Publication Matters.

(See pp. 42-48.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We move that Synod sanction the action of the Publication Board regarding the English publication of the Book of Concord, (Page 43, 3).

2. (a) We approve of the establishment of a Branch House in Winnipeg, Canada.

(b) We recommend that the Publication Board be authorized, if it finds it expedient, to remove the Branch House to some place more centrally located, where it could be operated at less expense.

(c) We earnestly request our congregations in Canada to introduce our hymnbook. If this were done our Branch House would soon be self-supporting.

3. (a) We approve the action of the Publication Board in engaging an expert accountant to examine the books of the Book Concern, and request that the books of the Book Concern be audited by an expert accountant annually. (43, 6.)

(b) We rejoice over the prosperous condition of the Book Concern and express our appreciation and thanks to the manager for the faithful discharge of his duties.

4. (a) We are glad to be able to report that the Board has undertaken the systematic publication of tracts and approve of the rules adopted by the same. (43, 7.)

(b) We recommend that the respective Boards of Synod,

desirous of publishing tracts be requested to do so through the Literature Committee appointed by the Board.

(c) We recommend that the honorable Synod allow the Literature Committee $500.00 annually for the next two years for the purpose of publishing and distributing tracts; this sum to be paid from the net gain of the Book Concern.

5. We do not consider it advisable to insert a homiletical department in the Zeitblætter-Magazine, but leave it to the editors to publish homiletical material from time to time. (46, 12.)

6. We recommend the publication of a twelve-page Young People's Weekly in accordance with the plan submitted by the Board; the selection of the name for this weekly to be left to the Board. (46, 13.)

7. We recommend:

(a) The appointment of an editor-in-chief of the Young People's Weekly, who shall also serve as secretary for the Literature Committee and as proof reader of all the English publications of Synod, and do other work assigned him by the Board. (46, 14.)

(b) The appointment of two assistant editors; one for the Junior and the other for the missionary department of the paper.

(c) An annual salary of $300.00 for the editor-in-chief and $50.00 each for the assistant editors. For other labor the Board is empowered to remunerate the editor-in-chief.

(d) That the first editors be appointed by the Publication Board.

8. With regard to the revision of the German Hymn book we recommend that it be limited to punctuation, orthography and foreign expressions. (46, 15.)

9. We suggest that Joint Synod authorize the Board to add a fourth story to the factory building in the rear, and connect the old and the new building from the second to the fourth floor. (46, 16.)

10. The German Professorship Fund having reached the sum of $10,076.20, we recommend that $10,000 be turned over to the Institution whenever the Board is in a position to do so, and the balance in installments of $5,000 each. (46, 17.)

11. We recommend that if it should become necessary the request of the Publication Board to enter into the printing busi-

ness so far as our own publications are concerned be granted. (47, 18.)

12. Regarding the communication of the English District we move that we retain the present blank at least until the supply is exhausted. (Page 100.)

13. We recommend:

(a) The publication of a simpler catechism according to the principles suggested by the Northern Conference of the Eastern District. (Page 104.)

(b) That Dr. Th. Mees be requested to prepare the manuscript.

(c) That the manuscript be printed and sent to all pastors, professors and teachers.

(d) That a committee consisting of a chairman, five pastors and five teachers revise the manuscript, giving proper consideration to the communications regarding the same and submit it to the Columbus Theological Faculty for final approval.

(e) That the following be this committee:

Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Chairman.

Pastors: J. F. Soller, W. D. Ahl, H. P. Dannecker, W. E. Schramm, M. C. Hecht.

Teachers: C. Vogel, E. Lauchner, H. Bauman, G. Hein, J. Seitz.

14. Regarding the communication of the Editor-in-Chief of the STANDARD, we recommend that the Editorial Committees of all our periodicals meet at least once each year to discuss and determine the policy of their respective papers in order that unity may be preserved; and that every member be held to abide by the action there taken.

15. The Secretary of the Publication Board reported to your committee that the Board increased the manager's salary to $2,100 per year. We approve of the action of the Board and suggest that Synod fix a maximum salary.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Item 1 was adopted. In connection therewith the Hon. President stated that all our pastors should take notice of the book referred to and introduce it as extensively as possible in our congregations.

Items 2-4 were adopted. With reference to point "a" under item 4 it was resolved that we direct our districts to take up the subject referred to for discussion, so that the tracts may find as wide a distribution as possible.

Item 5 was adopted, and the resolution was passed that all our pastors and teachers be urged to subscribe for and read the Zeitblaetter-Magazine. Items 6-8 were adopted; item 8 with the understanding that the appending of additional hymns be not excluded from the revised edition.

Items 9-12 were adopted.

Item 13 was referred to the various districts for discussion.

Items 14 and 15 were also adopted.

With reference to the request expressed in item 15 it was resolved that the Publication Board be left free to fix the salary of the manager of the Book Concern, its action, however, to be subject to the approval of Joint Synod.

F. Finances. Pages 49-96.

1. LIQUIDATION OF DEBT.

(See p. 8, C, and p. 96.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We recommend that the Pittsburgh Committee be continued and requested to go on with its work to a happy end.

2. In addition, we urge that the liquidation of the institution debt be emphasized at every meeting of the various districts until the debt is paid.

3. Furthermore, we express the hope that in the future the Institution Treasury will be so well supplied, that the surplus will assist in liquidating the indebtedness. Page 97, 3.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

The report of the Preliminary Committee was discussed item by item and adopted. It was emphatically stated that the efforts of the Pittsburgh Committee should be energetically supported in all parts of our Synod. At the same time it was resolved that the aforesaid committee be urgently requested to continue its efforts to liquidate the debt.

II. APPROPRIATIONS.

A. For Current Expenses.

Report of the Preliminary Committee as adopted by Synod.

We recommend the following annual appropriations:

a. Capital University, pp. 57-59, $10,000.

b. Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., pp. 60-63, $8,100.

c. Woodville Normal, Woodville, O., pp. 63 and 64, $5,600.

d. Pacific Seminary, Olympia, Wash., pp. 64 and 65, $2,000. $2,000.

e. Hebron Academy, Hebron, Neb., p. 65, $2,000.

f. Wernle Orphans' Home, Richmond, Ind., pp. 22-24 and 67-68.

1. Annual appropriation, $6,000.

2. A special allowance to liquidate a debt, $1,000.

3. An extra allowance for a septic tank, $400. (The Orphans' Home Board shall supervise the construction of the tank.)

4. We approve of the action of the Board in the appointment of Rev. H. L. Ridenour as treasurer of the endowment fund, in place of Rev. J. Beck.

g. St. John's Old Folks' Home and Children's Home, Mars, Pa., pp. 24-25 and 69-70, $3,000.

h. Home Missions, pp. 72-76, $40,000.

B. FOR NEW BUILDINGS.

Report of the Preliminary Committee as adopted by Synod.

1. *Library at Columbus, O.* We recommend that the Capital University Board be given the right to erect a library building with the money contained in the Rudolph Fund, and that this building shall be called the Rudolph Library.

2. *Gymnasium at Woodville, O.* We recommend (a) that the Board of the Woodville Normal be given permission to create a fund, by popular subscriptions, for a gymnasium;

(b) The cost of the building shall not exceed $5,000.

(c) The erection of the building shall not begin until $4,000 have been paid in.

3. *New Building at Hebron, Neb.* (a) We recommend that the Board at Hebron be allowed to erect a building at a cost not to exceed $8,000.

(b) Moneys may be solicited in Joint Synod, but the church papers are not to be used for this purpose.

(c) Two-thirds of the sum needed for the building must be in hand previous to building operations.

4. *New Residences for Professors.* We recommend that for the present no new residences be erected for professors.

5. In view of the numerous and large appropriations which Synod has made, the expenditures having exceeded our income last year, we move that all the Boards exercise the strictest economy.

III. FINANCES IN GENERAL.

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. We would call attention to the fact that during the past two years more than $20,000 in scholarships and legacies have been secured by the efforts of the General President (see p. 8, C, e), and hereby express our gratitude to him for his labors.

2. With reference to the two questions propounded by the chairman and the treasurer of the Board of Administration, we recommend that negative answers be given. (See p. 92, B.)

3. In regard to the resolutions of the Columbus English Conference (see p. 105, item 3), we recommend that Joint Synod unite in one treasury all its treasuries, i. e. Synodical Treasury, Institution Treasury, Home, Foreign and Inner Missions, Negro Missions, Church Building Fund, Board of Aids, and other treasuries for benevolent purposes. The general treasurer shall be put under bond.

4. To the question on p. 10, IV: "Shall the treasurer of the Seminary be placed under bond?" We reply in the affirmative.

5. (a) We recommend that no moneys of the Institution Treasury be used for the further study of our professors at other institutions.

(b) We recommend that the request of The Kansas-Nebraska District (see p. 102, A, 2) be for the present laid on the table.

6. We recommend that the Institution Treasurer pay the salaries of professors as punctually as possible.

7. Inasmuch as the manager of the Book Concern assures Synod that the net profits of the Concern will amount to at least $10,000 per annum, we recommend that for the next two

years $5,000 be annually paid into the Institution Treasury and $5,000 annually into the Treasury of the Board of Aids.

8. We regret that the reports concerning the new buildings at St. Paul, Minn., were not sent in early enough nor in the proper form to appear in the printed official reports.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Items 1 and 2 were adopted.

With reference to item 3 it was resolved that a committee be appointed to formulate a plan by which all our treasuries shall be put under the management of one person, and that said committee report its action at the next convention of Synod two years hence. The committee appointed for this purpose consists of Revs. E. A. Boehme and C. W. Bachman.

Item 4 was voted down.

Item 5-a and b was adopted, with the addition that the subject at issue under point "b" be referred to the pastoral conferences for discussion.

Items 6 and 7 were adopted.

Item 8 was adopted. In connection therewith it was stated that the report had been sent in so late, because the Board wished to come before Synod with the explanation that the building is fully paid for and can be transferred to Synod free of debt.

G. Varia

1. JUBILEE OF THE REFORMATION.

(See pp. 97 and 98.)

Report of the Preliminary Committee as adopted by Synod.

1. With reference to the suggestions for the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the Reformation in the year 1917 (p. 97), and the proposals of the English District (p. 100), we recommended that items 1 to 4-d be adopted;

2. That our Synod, previous to the above named anniversary, publish a popular history of the Lutheran Church in America;

a. That this work be published in German and English, the price not to exceed 50 cents;

b. That the net profits accruing from the sale of this book be given to the treasury of the Board of Aids;

3. That all our church periodicals, at the proper time, give special attention to this festival.

II. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DISTRICTS, CONFERENCES, ETC., NOT ELSEWHERE ACTED UPON.

Report of the Preliminary Committee.

1. In compliance with a request of the Canada District (see p. 21), we recommend that the Joint Synod be incorporated in the Provinces of Canada, and that the General President be instructed and authorized to attend to this matter as soon as possible.

2. The Western District suggests that only one professor from each theological seminary be required to attend the conventions of the Joint Synod. (Page 99). We recommend that the suggestion be not complied with.

3. We concur with the feeling of the Kansas-Nebraska District, item B, p. 102, with reference to anti-Christian utterances in State school books, and recommend that Joint Synod appoint a committee to take steps to investigate various school books within the territory of the different districts, and that the results of such investigation be brought to the notice of Synod.

4. With reference to the recommendation of the Minnesota District, p. 102, III, we recommend that item "a" be adopted, and that item "b" be not entertained, because no reason has been assigned for the removal.

ACTION OF SYNOD.

Item 1 was adopted; also item 2. The request of the district would involve a change of the constitution and would have to be made in a different form. The district is left free to lay its request in another form before the next convention of Synod.

At this point the General President ruled that the theological professors are required to be present at all the meetings of the Preliminary Committee.

Item 3 was adopted. In connection therewith it was resolved that the expenses of the central committee to be appointed shall be paid by the Synodical Treasurer, and that the committee shall have the use of the columns of our church papers. As members of the Central Committee the following persons were chosen:

Rev. A. O. Swinehart, Prof. H. K. G. Doermann and Prof. Geo. K. Leonard.

Item 4 was adopted.

III. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EQUALIZATION OF TRAVELING EXPENSES.

1. There were present 100 delegates.
2. The total expense foots up $2,248.64.
3. The average per delegate is $22.50.
4. The committee has a balance of 96 cents.

This report was adopted. In answer to a question of this committee the Synod had decided that the absent delegates should not be counted in the calculation of expenses.

IV. ELECTIONS.

The list of candidates presented by the committee on nominations was adopted after certain changes had been made.

The election was held at the appointed time on Tuesday morning from 8 to 12 o'clock.

The committee on elections consisted of Rev. Luther Pflueger, Teacher Geo. Hein and Delegate J. Heinlein.

Resolved, That whenever two or more members are to be elected for different terms of service, the candidate reeeiving the most votes shall serve the longer term.

Resolved, That the Vice-President receiving the highest number of votes shall be the First Vice-President.

The election, which was conducted in the customary manner, resulted as follows:

OFFICERS OF SYNOD.

President.—Rev. C. H. L. Schuette, Columbus, Ohio.
Eastern Vice-President.—Rev. H. J. Schuh, Pittsburg, Pa.
Western Vice-President.—Prof. Dr. H. Ernst, St. Paul, Minn.
German Secretary.—Rev. W. D. Ahl, Oshkosh, Wis.
English Secretary.—Rev. A. Pflueger, Botkins, Ohio.
Institution Treasurer.—Mr. F. J. Heer, Columbus, Ohio.
Synodical Treasurer.—Mr. C. Nagel, Springfield, Ohio.
Editors of Kirchenzeitung.—Editor-in-Chief, Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, Anna, Ohio; Missionary Editor, Rev. J. H. Schneider, Columbus, Ohio; News Editor, Rev. C. C. Hein, Columbus, Ohio; Home Circle Editor, Prof. Wm. Schmidt, St. Paul, Minn.

Lutheran Standard.—Editor-in-Chief, Rev. W. E. Schuette, Toledo, Ohio; Missionary Editor, Prof. E. Pfeiffer, Columbus, Ohio; News Editor, Rev. C. W. Bachman, Columbus, Ohio; Home Circle Editor, Rev. C. W. Pflueger, Westerville, Ohio.

Zeitblaetter-Magazine.—Editor-in-Chief, Prof. F. W. Stellhorn, D. D., Columbus, Ohio; Assistant Editor, Prof. Theo. Mees, Ph. D., Columbus, Ohio.

Kinderfreude.—Rev. J. F. C. Soller, Youngstown, Ohio.

Board of Administration.—Mr. J. M. Snyder, Columbus, Ohio; Mr. Otto Spielman, Columbus, Ohio.

Auditing Committee.—Dr. Theo. Mees, Columbus, Ohio; Prof. Geo. K. Leonard, Columbus, Ohio.

Treasurer for Foreign Missions.—Rev. A. W. Werder, Wheeling, W. Va.

Theological Seminary, Columbus, Ohio.—Rev. L. H. Burry, Massillon, Ohio, 6 years; Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt, Hamilton, Ohio, 6 years; Rev. L. H. Schuh, Grove City, Ohio, 6 years; Rev. A. L. Nicklas, Ann Arbor, Mich., 6 years; Rev. Hugo Schmidt, Middletown, Ohio, 4 years.

Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.—Rev. H. Eisenbach, Oconto, Wis., 4 years; Rev. G. Diemer, Brownton, Minn., 4 years; Teacher H. Baumann, St. Paul, Minn., 4 years.

Normal School, Woodville, Ohio.—Rev. H. Blohm, Woodville, Ohio, 4 years; Rev. A. G. Bergener, Detroit, Mich., 2 years; Teacher J. J. Balmer, Oak Harbor, Ohio, 4 years; Rev. A. H. Dornbirer, Columbus, Ohio, 4 years; Mr. B. S. Otten, Woodville, Ohio, 4 years.

Pacific Seminary, Olympia, Wash.—Rev. O. Just, Vancouver, B. C., 4 years; Rev. C. Kilian, Puyallup, Wash., 4 years; Mr. H. Pochert, Tacoma, Wash., 4 years.

Hebron Academy, Hebron, Neb.—Rev. F. Pohlmann, Glenville, Neb., 4 years; Rev. W. F. H. Kerl, Lenexa, Kan., 4 years; Rev. C. Dagefoerde, Bruning, Neb., 2 years; Mr. Birkholz, Hebron, Neb., 4 years; Mr. W. Damm, Carleton, Neb., 2 years.

Melville Academy, Melville, Sask.—Rev. L. F. Tank, Winnipeg, Man., 4 years; Rev. G. Gehrke,* Winnipeg, Man., 4 years; Rev. J. Fritz,* Regina, Sask., 2 years; Mr. J. D. Mueller, Melville, Sask., 4 years; Mr. J. Brodt, Regina, Sask., 2 years.

Wernle Orphans' Home, Richmond, Ind.—Rev. A. J. Feeger, Richmond, Ind., 6 years; Mr. L. Rogge, Dayton, Ohio, 6 years; Mr. Geo. Deuker, Richmond, Ind., 6 years.

Old Folk's Home and Orphanage, Mars, Pa.—Rev. H. J. Schuh, Pittsburgh, Pa., 4 years; Rev. F. H. Meyer, Zelienople, Pa., 2 years; Mr. C. F. Goehring, Zelienople, Pa., 4 years.

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*Tie vote, term decided by Synod.

Board of Publication.—Rev. J. W. Kuntz, Bellevue, Ohio, 6 years; Rev. C. W. Pflueger,* Westerville, Ohio, 4 years; Mr. Geo. Horst, Columbus, Ohio, 6 years; Mr. J. C. Overmyer, Fremont, Ohio, 6 years; Teacher F. C. Mayer, Dayton, Ohio, 4 years.

Board of Home Missions.—Rev. D. E. Ebert, Marysville, Ohio, 6 years; Rev. J. J. Allwardt, Galion, Ohio, 6 years; Rev. E. F. W. Stellhorn's resignation was not accepted.

Board of Colored Missions.—Rev. J. E. A. Doermann, Washington, D. C., 6 years; Judge J. J. Dobler, Baltimore, Md., 6 years.

Board of Aids.—Rev. Phil. Schmidt, Columbus, Ohio, 6 years; Teacher F. Wiechert, Sandusky, Ohio, 4 years; Mr. J. Wiemann, Woodville, Ohio, 4 years.

Statistician.—Rev. A. G. Bergener, Detroit, Mich.

OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES OF SYNOD WITH TIME OF SERVICE.

SYNODICAL OFFICERS.

President.....Rev. C. H. L. Schuette, D. D., Columbus, O.

Vice-President, Eastern and First.....Rev. H. J. Schuh, Pittsburg, Pa.

Vice-President, Western.....Prof. H. Ernst, D. D., St. Paul, Minn.

German Secretary.....Rev. W. D. Ahl, Oshkosh, Wis.

English Secretary.....Rev. A. Pflueger, Botkins, O.

Treasurer.....Mr. C. Nagel, Springfield, O.

GENERAL INSTITUTION TREASURER.

Mr. Fred J. Heer, 55 East Main St., Columbus, O.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BOARD, COLUMBUS, O.

Rev. L. H. Schuh.....	1918	Rev. Hugo Schmidt.....	1916
Rev. E. A. Boehme.....	1916	Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt.....	1918
Rev. M. C. Hecht.....	1914	Mr. Philip Herrnstein.....	1916
Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff..	1914	Mr. G. A. Lange.....	1916
Rev. L. H. Burry.....	1918	Mr. C. Nagel.....	1914
Rev. A. L. Nicklas.....	1918	Mr. J. H. Stellhorn.....	1914

*As Rev. C. W. Pflueger and Rev. James Schillinger had received the same number of votes, Rev. Pflueger was chosen by lot.

LUTHER SEMINARY BOARD, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Rev. A. C. Ernst	1914	Mr. C. Burkhardt	1914
Rev. W. von Fischer	1914	Mr. W. D. Pomplun	1914
Rev. Eisenbach	1916	Teacher H. Baumann	1916
Rev. G. Diemer	1916		

BOARD OF WOODVILLE NORMAL, WOODVILLE, O.

Rev. H. Blohm	1916	Teacher J. J. Ballner	1916
Rev. Theo. Stellhorn	1914	Mr. H. Fuehrmeier	1914
Rev. A. G. Bergener	1914	Mr. A. H. Dornbirer	1916
Teacher E. Lauchner	1914	Mr. B. Otten	1916

BOARD OF PACIFIC SEMINARY, OLYMPIA, WASH.

Rev. O. Just	1916	Mr. L. Wellsandt	1914
Rev. H. Finke	1914	Mr. C. Hellmann	1914
Rev. C. Kilian	1916	Mr. H. Pochert	1916
Rev. P. Groschupf	1914		

BOARD OF MELVILLE ACADEMY, MELVILLE, SASK.

Rev. L. F. Tank	1916	Mr. J. C. Mueller	1916
Rev. G. Gehrke	1916	Mr. W. Damm	1914
Rev. J. Fritz	1914		

BOARD OF HEBRON ACADEMY, HEBRON, NEB.

Rev. F. Pohlmann	1916	Mr. Birkholz	1916
Rev. W. F. H. Kerl	1916	Mr. W. Damm	1914
Rev. C. Dagefoerde	1914		

BOARD OF HICKORY ACADEMY, HICKORY, N. C.

Rev. W. E. Schramm, *President.*	Mr. Charles J. Dobler.
Rev. Oscar Mees.	Mr. L. F. Umhau.

BOARD OF WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME, RICHMOND, IND.

Rev. J. Beck	1916	Mr. F. Kehlenbrink	1916
Rev. H. L. Ridenour	1916	Mr. J. Schultz	1914
Rev. M. L. Baum	1914	Mr. G. Hagelberger	1914
Rev. A. J. Feeger	1918	Mr. George Deuker	1918
		Mr. L. Rogge	1918

BOARD OF ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN HOME, MARS, PA.

Rev. E. F. A. Dittmer.....	1916	Mr. C. E. Cronenwett.....	1916
Rev. H. J. Schuh.....	1916	Mr. Christ Zies.....	1914
Rev. F. H. Meyer.....	1914	Mr. C. F. Goehring.....	1916

PUBLICATION BOARD.

Rev. J. W. Kuntz.....	1918	Teacher F. C. Mayer.....	1916
Prof. E. Pfeiffer.....	1916	Mr. E. V. Swickheimer.....	1914
Rev. C. C. Hein.....	1914	Mr. Geo. Horst.....	1918
Rev. J. Sheatsley.....	1914	Mr. J. C. Overmyer.....	1918
Rev. C. W. Pflueger.....	1916		

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

Rev. M. R. Walter.....	1916	Rev. D. P. Ebert.....	1918
Rev. G. J. Troutman.....	1916	Rev. J. J. Allwardt.....	1918
Rev. W. Stellhorn.....	1914		

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Prof. E. Pfeiffer.....	1918	Mr. W. Altmann.....	1918
Prof. K. Hemminghaus.....	1916	Teacher Geo. R. Conrad....	1916
Rev. J. H. Schneider.....	1914		

TREASURER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Rev. A. W. Werder, Wheeling, W. Va.

BOARD OF NEGRO MISSIONS.

Rev. J. F. Mueller.....	1916	Mr. A. G. Snyder.....	1916
Rev. O. C. Mees.....	1914	Judge J. J. Dobler.....	1918
Rev. J. E. A. Doermann....	1918		

BOARD OF AIDS.

Rev. W. A. Bowman.....	1914	Teacher F. Wiechert.....	1916
Rev. J. M. Johannsen.....	1916	Teacher C. Vogel.....	1914
Rev. Ph. Schmidt.....	1918	Mr. Geo. Motz.....	1914
		Mr. J. Niemann.....	1916

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION.

Mr. C. Nagel, Springfield, Ohio..... 1914
Mr. Charles F. Mayer, Columbus, Ohio..... 1914
Mr. J. M. Snyder, Columbus, Ohio..... 1916
Mr. Otto Spielman..... 1916
Dr. C. H. L. Schuette, ex-officio.

AUDITING COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL TREASURY.

Prof. Geo. K. Leonard, Bexley, Ohio.
Prof. Theo. Mees, Ph. D., Columbus, Ohio.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON STATE SCHOOL BOOKS.

Rev. A. O. Swinehart, Prof. H. K. G. Doermann,
Prof. Geo. K. Leonard.

COMMITTEE ON LIQUIDATION OF DEBT.

Rev. H. J. Schuh, Mr. W. C. Wagner,
Rev. W. E. Schramm, Mr. H. H. Tessmer,
Mr. W. R. Demmler, Mr. G. E. Kelsch,
Mr. John Lathman.

COMMITTEE ON INNER MISSIONS.

Rev. O. S. Oglesby, Rev. W. J. Schomann,
Rev. W. E. Schramm.

STATISTICIAN.

Rev. A. G. Bergener, Detroit, Mich.

OTHER BUSINESS AND RESOLUTIONS.

While Synod was in session the Board of Capital University held a meeting for the purpose of calling a President and Housefather for said institution. According to a resolution of Synod three-fourths of the members of a board are necessary to effect an election, and hence 12 votes would be required to call a professor for Capital University.

1. The Board reported that at several of its meetings not even 12 members had been present and that for this reason no election could take place. It therefore requested that for the nonce Synod waive its rule, since there were ten members present who no doubt will all be in favor of one and the same candidate. Synod resolved to grant this request on the condition that the ten members present would vote unanimously for the same candidate.

2. With reference to our congregation at Hickory, N. C., the following resolution was adopted, with the amendment that the amount of the money to be loaned to said congregation shall be left to the decision of the Mission Board:

WHEREAS, The disposition of our Hickory Seminary will deprive the Seminary congregation of its church home, and

WHEREAS, The members of this congregation have been loyal to our Joint Synod, and many have sacrificed for the maintenance of our work in that field, and

WHEREAS, This loyal band of 80 communicants is sorely discouraged and thinks of disbanding,

Resolved, That we, the Joint Synod of Ohio, here assembled, do offer to said brethren such material assistance as can be rendered through the Building Fund of our Synod,—to-wit, that we instruct the Mission Board to make to said struggling congregation, as soon as possible, a loan of not less than $3,000, to assist them in the erection of a church building, and that the English Secretary of Joint Synod transmit this resolution to our Hickory brethren at his earliest convenience.

3. The Ev. Luth. Cross congregation at Cincinnati, O., sent a letter of greetings, which was received with thanks by the assembled Synod.

4. *Resolved,* That all Boards and standing committees be again reminded of the resolution of Joint Synod that all documents must be sent in to the President in good time, so that the printed reports may be sent to the delegates 8 days before the convening of Synod.

5. As reporter for the English daily papers of Dayton Rev. Hugo Schmidt was appointed, while Rev. A. Eberle was chosen to report for the German paper.

6. *Resolved,* That the secretaries decide as to how many copies of our minutes shall be printed in German and English respectively.

7. *Resolved,* That we extend a heartfelt vote of thanks to the Revs. M. C. Hecht, M. L. Baum, Eugene Poppen and Oscar Tressel for the courtesy and kindness shown our delegates, advisory members and guests during this convention of Synod, and to the young people of St. Paul's congregation for the excellent entertainment given to the members of Synod on Monday evening, and that the pastors loci announce this resolution to their respective congregations.

8. A vote of thanks was also extended to the teachers, organists and choirs for the services they rendered at this convention of Synod. In this vote the Dayton dailies, German and English, were included on account of the space they devoted in their columns to the reports of our proceedings.

9. Thanks are also due the National Cash Register Company for the invitation extended to the members of Synod to visit its magnificently equipped factory.

10. Finally it was resolved that the secretaries shall each receive $35.00 in recognition of their services.

After Synod had thus transacted the business before it and the minutes of the final session had been read and adopted, it adjourned at 4:30 with divine services conducted according to the beautiful order of our German liturgy.

Deo Soli Gloria.

The correctness of these minutes is attested by

C. H. L. SCHUETTE, *President.*
A. PFLUEGER, *English Secretary.*
W. D. AHL, *German Secretary.*

DIVINE SERVICES DURING SYNOD.

A. ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Rev. M. C. Hecht, Pastor.

Thursday morning: Synodical Sermon by Rev. H. P. Dannecker, on Psalm 40, 9.

Friday Evening: Sermon on Congregational Schools by Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, on Mark 10, 14.

Sunday Morning: Confessional Sermon by Rev. H. J. Schuh, on 2 Sam. 12, 1-14. Jubilee Sermon by Dr. C. H. L. Schuette, on Eph. 1, 3 and 19ff.

Sunday Evening: Jubilee Sermon in English by Rev. J. E. A. Doermann, on Psalm 116, 12-14.

Tuesday Evening: Sermon by Rev. E. G. Richter, on Eph. 4, 1-4.

B. HOPE CHURCH.

Rev. M. L. Baum, Pastor.

Sunday Morning: Sermon by Rev. R. E. Golladay, on Phil. 2, 12-14.

C. CHRIST CHURCH.

Rev. Eugene Poppen, Pastor.

Sunday Morning: Sermon by Rev. G. Gehrke, on 2 Peter 1, 19.

D. ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

Rev. Oscar Tressel, Pastor.

Sunday Morning: English Sermon by Rev. W. E. Schramm, on Mark 7, 31-37; German Sermon by Rev. E. F. W. Stellhorn, on Luke 10, 23 and 24.

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